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'The Goal' lives on for Team Canada's Paul Henderson

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Over the course of the past three decades or so, there have been a few events that stand out as defining moments in North American history.

Beamed live into millions of homes via television, they brought people of all types together in a single, shared experience.

There was the assassination of American President John F. Kennedy.

Then American Neil Armstrong becoming the first human to walk on the moon.

And for Canadians, there was that September day in 1972 when Paul Henderson scored the

most famous goal in hockey history with just 34 seconds left in the game to beat Russia and capture the eight-game series for Team Canada.

Practically the whole country — not just hockey fans — stood still for that final game on September 28 nearly 25 years ago as Canadians put their jobs and school work aside to cheer on our team.

For people about the age of 30 and older, asking each other what they were doing the moment Henderson scored the series' winner has become the Canadian equivalent to Americans asking each other what they were doing when

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Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way ...

"Thousands of people" lined Haliburton's main street Saturday afternoon to welcome Santa Claus during his annual pre-Christmas visit. For more pictures and parade results, see pages 29 and 30.

Canadian Tire money fuels 4Cs toy drive to a fast start

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

As Laurie Johnson wheeled her heavily-laden cart towards the check-out counter at the Canadian Tire store, the cashier's smile quickly turned into a look of dismay when instead of pulling out her wallet to pay for her treasure trove, Johnson took out a huge wad of Canadian Tire money.

There were bundles of 5-cent "funny money," 10-cent, 50-cent, and luckily, even a few one-dollar bundles. And over two shopping

trips, all those bundles added up to \$450-worth of spending power.

"I had five clerks to count the money the first time," Johnson says. "They looked at me and said 'oh no.'"

Even though Johnson assured them she worked in a bank and had used the bank's real-dollar counting machine to make the bundles, the clerks insisted on counting out all the bills. It was okay, though. Johnson had a lot of time because she had a lot of toys to take out of her cart.

Christmas came early to the

Haliburton Bank of Montreal clerk because her treat was being able to buy \$450 of new toys — without having to worry about her own bank balance. Instead, she was using all the Canadian Tire money which people had donated to the bank as part of its 4Cs Christmas toy drive. One woman from British Columbia had even mailed \$8 in funny money to the bank and a local woman donated 30 bows to be put on the gifts when wrapped.

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PAUL HENDERSON: At a speaking engagement in West Guilford on the weekend, former NHL player Paul Henderson recalled scoring hockey's most famous goal to help Team Canada beat Russia during their historic match up in 1972.

Shopping humbug has long history

ARE YOU FEELING frazzled by the pressure to buy Christmas gifts? Do you ever find yourself mumbling about the increasing commercialism of Christmas? Well, it seems you aren't the first - not by about 150 years. In the recent edition of *Saturday Night* magazine, editor Kenneth Whyte reviews a book written by historian Stephen Nissenbaum about the history of Christmas. Whyte writes that in the early 19th Century, Christmas was a time of drunken revelry and "home invasions." Merchants, worried for the safety of their stores, "transformed the riot of the season into a domestic, child-centred, commercial holiday. Most of the 'traditions' we now recognize from 'Twas the Night Before Christmas - Santa Claus, reindeer, Ma in her kerchief - were created almost overnight in this period. This new

Christmas rode to universal acceptance hand in hand with a burgeoning consumer economy. Fast on its heels came longings for a simpler, less com-

Speaking of Christmas, Canada Post reminds parents that there's not much time left for children to write Santa

That's what the CNIB is offering through the sale of its \$20 calendars, which also double as raffle tickets. Only 20,000 cash calendars will be printed and the biggest prize is knowing you've helped an organization which is dedicated to helping those with sight problems. At present, there are more than 64 blind or visually impaired people already benefitting from CNIB services in Haliburton County.

The Friends of the Kawartha Region Conservation Authority invite you to a "Family Country Christmas" on Dec. 14th at the Ken Reid Conservation Area north of Lindsay. There is no admission and free hot chocolate while waiting for Santa. Entertainment, some of it for a small fee, is planned between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information call 1-800-668-5722.

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

mercial holiday. Nissenbaum quotes a Harriet Beecher Stowe story from the mid-nineteenth century in which characters complain of all the work and shopping they have to do, of the volume of merchandise in stores, of the difficulty of pleasing children. "There are worlds of money wasted," sighs the character, "at this time of year, in getting things that nobody wants, and nobody cares for after they are got." It's a fascinating column and it sounds as if Nissenbaum has written a fascinating book, *The Battle for Christmas* (if you're not already sick of the season.)

and get a response from the jolly old fellow in red. Children should send their wish lists to Santa Claus, North Pole, Canada, HOH OHO.

The Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services is hosting a Christmas open house on Thursday, Dec. 12 from noon to 4 p.m. It's a good opportunity to learn about the new facility at Heritage Plaza on Hwy 35 in Minden and meet the staff and sponsoring agency.

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APPRECIATION BLOSSOMS: In honour of all the volunteer work she's done on Extendicare's garden in Haliburton, Pat Cummings, right, was given a painting by resident Yvonne Guida, seated, while activities superintendent Barbara Fryer looks on.

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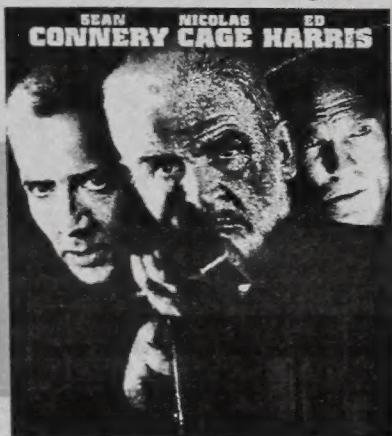
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by **JACK HILL
Ingoldsby**

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Swatting flies with a sledgehammer

Foresters complain Dysart is over-reacting with proposal

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When Earl Cooper read last week's story about Dysart's proposed forestry by-law changes, he was reminded of the story about the man who was bothered by a mosquito. Tired of its persistent buzzing, the man dropped a bomb on his house. The blast got rid of the mosquito, but it also destroyed his house.

In the real-life version, neighbours of a couple of wood-cutting operations tired of the persistent buzzing of chainsaws and portable sawmills. Their complaints led Dysart et al council to consider changing its by-laws to give it more power to control such operations.

In so doing, most of the other people who earn some or most of their living from Dysart's forests felt they were in the house that was about to be blown up.

"I call it crazy," said Dan Buhl, a member of the Haliburton Forest Owners Association, at Tuesday's public meeting to discuss the proposed changes. The change would prohibit "commercial activity" in a rural zone "save and except the production of fire wood or building materials by the owner of the land for his/her own domestic purposes."

If council had read the \$26,000 study the association had helped commission to explore the economic importance of forestry in the county, the changes would have never been suggested, Buhl said. "You can act properly to restrain unfair and unsightly and noisy operations with the by-laws you've got. You don't need to re-define forestry. It serves no use for the people of Dysart."

"The definition (of forestry use) is so limiting you might as well sell all rural property," said Paul Hebert, who noted that the definition as presented might also include maple syrup producers who tap into forest's wealth to supplement their income.

Peter Schleifenbaum objected to

the changes because they fly in the face of forestry definitions used by the federal and provincial governments. "The common definition of forestry does include wood manufacturing," he said. "It would be difficult for Canada to use one definition, Dysart another."

The two people whose wood-cutting operations at their home on Kennis Lake Road helped prompt the proposed changes also objected. Lawrence and Margaret Nesbitt said the Ontario Municipal Board recently upheld a farmer's right to cut wood commercially on his property. "We like our sleep, too," said Mrs. Nesbitt, who believes 7:30 in the morning isn't too early to start because most people are up by then to get their children on the school bus. If people want to build near "original land tracts", akin to farms, "they'll have to put up with a little noise."

Bob Fraser, who employs 10 people, worried that by trying to solve one problem with by-law changes, the changes would produce their own set of problems. "We need common sense," he said, and if someone starts chain-sawing at 6:30 in the morning, the noise by-law should be able to put a stop to it.

"Every time you put a by-law out it's another piece of paper you have to enforce," he warned Dysart's planning committee.

David Bishop said such things as buffer zones and set backs could solve the problems, not re-defining such an important industry. "There can still be a (wood) extraction operation provided you buffer it from other uses that it may interfere with and vice versa."

If council is considering making changes which affect forestry, then Jean Schlicklin-Tyler suggested they seek the help of any

of the existing committees which are already well versed in the issues.

Reeve Murray Fearrey, who was sitting in the audience, said the wording of the proposed changes was "obviously flawed" but "as a citizen I don't think we can ignore the issue" on behalf of the people who are bothered by woodcutting operations near their homes.

After committee chairman Bill Davis thanked everyone for their suggestions and input, the 15 or so people who had gathered to object to the changes left the council chambers.

Councillor Dennis Casey then opened the committee discussion by saying "we're barking up the wrong tree. We want to look at noise and aesthetics, (not forestry in general)... We started out using the wrong vehicle."

"We need to take a second look at what we want to do," Davis said, adding that the departed

crowd was a resource council could benefit from.

"What's causing the problem? It's not the use, it's the location," said municipal planner Pat Martin. Dysart's problem is "our noise by-law is so weak it's not enforceable. Maybe we have to get a lawyer involved to give it more teeth."

"I don't think there's a thing we need to touch in the forestry by-law," said councillor Danny Kay. "We have problems we have to deal with, but it's not forestry."

"It's not a forestry issue at all," agreed Casey.

On Monday, Dysart council agreed to study the issue further before making final decisions.

Reeve Fearrey said council should examine measures other municipalities have brought in to solve the same problem.

As well, he said, "there's nothing wrong" with consulting forest owners to help find a solution.



OPEN HOUSE AT ST. GEORGE'S: As choir members Glenda Burk and Bill Gliddon greet people at St. George's Anglican Church's homecoming on Saturday, Rev. Christopher Greaves shows Don and Elva Robinson and Betty and Don Curry the changes the engineers made, including support rods which stretch across the ceiling of the original building.



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Henderson's stories score with fans in West Guilford

FROM page 1

Kennedy was killed.

So for a group of about 250 packed into West Guilford's community centre on Sunday, it was a delight to hear from Henderson himself how it felt to score "The Goal."

Henderson, who speaks to groups across the country about the important role Christianity now plays in his life, was the guest speaker at a breakfast organized by the men's club at Lakeside Baptist church.

Surprisingly slight compared to the huge hockey players who patrol NHL rinks today, Henderson entertained the crowd for more than an hour with hilarious old hockey stories and the interesting tale of why he became a born again Christian.

After the audience reminisced about the series of '72 over bacon and eggs, Henderson joked that his entire career has been overshadowed by a single "lousy goal."

"It's a little frustrating to be a guy playing hockey professionally for 18 years and to be known for that one lousy goal," the dynamic speaker told the jammed hall.

Though Henderson will forever be remembered for his series-winning goal in the dying seconds of the game, he played fan-

tastically throughout the series for Team Canada. He scored seven goals in total, including three consecutive game winners.

Before Game 8 was written into the history books, Henderson said he thought the goal he scored to win Game 7 for Canada would end up being the biggest of his career.

Following that game he told teammate Ron Ellis, who was having a tough time scoring on Russian goaltending great Vladislav Tretiak, that it would be him who would finally find the net and win the series for Canada.

With time running out in the second period of Game 8, Phil Esposito scored to bring Team Canada within a goal of Team Russia which was winning 5-4, recounted Henderson.

Then Yvan Cournoyer tied up the game for Canada at the 12-minute mark of the third period.

"Then the 13th minute came. Then the 14th. And the 15th. And the 16th. The 17th, the 18th, the 19th. And then, quite frankly I just couldn't wait for Ellis any longer," Henderson joked. "... As a Christian I have to say that that's just a bit of a white lie."

A former Toronto Maple Leaf and Detroit Red Wing, Henderson said he was fortunate to even make the cut to join Team Canada in 1972.

"If they'd have chosen 20 players, I wouldn't have been picked. I was not one of the best 20 players in the NHL at that time... But they chose 35 and I was pretty confident I'd be among those 35 players."

After playing some of the best hockey the country had ever seen and winning the series in Moscow, Team Canada, and Henderson in particular, returned home to a hero's welcome.

"I was the toast Canada. It was unbelievable," he recalled. "... I got along with everyone in Canada, except (the late Maple Leafs owner) Harold Ballard."

Henderson was 29 years old at the time, and he'd reached the pinnacle of a hockey career that was bigger and better than he'd ever imagined.

And along with it came all the fame and riches he'd dreamed of as a young boy growing up in a poor home in the tiny town of Lucknow, Ont., near Lake Huron.

But despite all his success, Henderson found himself feeling strangely empty inside, he told the West Guilford audience.

"When I was really honest with myself I really didn't like who I'd become... I knew there was something missing."

Henderson, who had always been a heavy reader and a strong student during school, turned to



YOUNG FAN: Paul Henderson signs an autograph for young hockey fan Ryan Goldenberg, who wasn't born until long after the famous Canada-Russia series of '72.

the Bible in search of answers.

And after two or three years of studying the Bible and speaking with others about Christianity, Henderson said he was able to open up his life to God and find fulfillment.

At first it was a difficult decision to make because he was afraid of facing ridicule from his teammates.

In the early '70s there were no big name athletes who openly professed strong Christian beliefs as there are today, said Henderson.

As well, Henderson was ini-

tially reluctant to give up many of the things he liked as "a man's man" that Christianity asked him to relinquish.

But eventually he was able to make the difficult decisions to face his himself and peers and say he was born again. And he has no regrets.

"For a guy who's lived on both sides of the fence, I wouldn't go back to that other side for anything," he said. "... I've found that I've got a God and I can put my hand in his and there is absolutely nothing he won't walk through with me."

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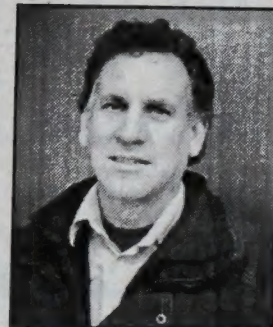


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Etobicoke hospital has 'nothing but praise' for Extendicare in private-public partnership

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

At first, Al Cavan was worried by the thought of a private company providing the money for hospital expansion in exchange for a management contract.

He had nothing against Extendicare, the private company which was offering its money and its expertise, but he was concerned about the intrusion of a profit-oriented company into such a sacrosanct area of public service.

Although such a scenario may seem strikingly familiar, Cavan, a Canning Lake cottager, isn't talking about the proposed partnership between Extendicare and the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board. Instead, he's describing his reaction to a partnership between Extendicare

and Queensway General Hospital in Etobicoke. And that partnership was forged 10 years before Extendicare even approached the local board about providing the \$3.5-million this county needs for the capital expansion of its hospitals and Hyland Crest.

"We went in with a certain degree of trepidation," says Cavan, who's chairman of Queensway's board of directors. Ten years later, however, "we've had nothing but praise."

A decade ago, Extendicare agreed to build a 122-bed long term care unit called the McCall Centre at Queensway. In exchange, Extendicare got a contract to manage the facility. "They

brought a degree of professionalism and apart from that, we wouldn't have had the money to be able to put it up. This is a very, very good centre and ultimately, we'll own the building.

"It's a first class relationship." As chairman of Queensway, Cavan automatically sits on the McCall Centre's board. "We've never had a conflict," he says when asked if the board ever had a problem with Extendicare

interfering in decision making. "They've always been very amenable (to the board's wishes). They're profit oriented but they have to have a good reputation (with the community)."

There are other ideas in the works because "we feel we can do a lot more for our community by using money from the private sector" and as long as there are safeguards in place, he says both sides benefit.

His only advice to the HHHS board is to invest in qualified lawyers to draw up the partnership agreement. This will avoid potential problems both now and in the future.

"The only permanent thing is change," he reflects, and he believes there will be a lot more co-operation between the private sector and public interests in the years to come.

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MAKING KIDS HAPPY: Laurie Johnson, left, had the envious task of buying \$470 worth of toys using the Canadian Tire money which had been donated to the Haliburton Bank of Montreal's 4Cs Christmas toy drive. When Bruce James came to pick up the bounty, he was amazed by people's generosity.

Christmas comes early for toy drive

FROM page 1

This year, the bank started the drive for Canadian Tire money in the summer, and as a result, by last week it had tripled last year's proceeds.

"I'm overwhelmed. It's marvelous, it's just what we need," said Bruce James as he arrived at the bank to pick up the bounty on behalf of the 4Cs. He'll take the

presents to St. Anthony's church, where volunteers will wrap the present and put them in appropriate Christmas food hampers.

Because of the generosity of everyone who contributed their Canadian Tire money, plus those who made cash and gift donations to the 4Cs, every child whose family receives a food hamper will also receive an age-appropri-

ate gift. If you would like to make a contribution, there is still a need for toys/gifts for children aged 12 to 16. The 4Cs is in the Drag River Municipal Building across from Emerson Lumber in Haliburton.

Meanwhile, a book sale at the Bank of Montreal netted \$70 to be donated to Haliburton Hospital.

Parents to have say on common report cards

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Parents will be able to give the province feedback on a new standardized report card their children will bring home next month in a pilot test.

Haliburton's school board is one of 110 across the province testing out report cards the Ministry of Education is considering using at all schools across the province.

The Ministry is pilot testing four versions of standardized report cards in Grades 1 to 9. The version Haliburton County students will receive in January doesn't assess their performance in various subjects by giving them a final mark, such as a 75% or 82%.

Instead, teachers will mark students according to a rating system with four categories: E, for excellent; G, for good; S, for satisfactory; and N, for needs improvement.

An E indicates the student is above grade level, G and S mean the student is performing at grade level and N indicates the student is performing below grade level.

Teachers are sup-

posed to assess their students according to how well they have been able to meet a variety of learning outcomes dictated by the Ministry's Common Curriculum guideline.

The new marking system means teachers have been forced to figure out a new system to track their students' progress.

"The first time (teachers write the report cards) is going to be difficult because it's a different process," superintendent of education Dale Robinson told trustees at a meeting last week. "It's going to be quite a change for parents, too."

Robinson said principals have been asked to notify parents of the pilot test project so they know what to expect when the new report cards come home.

Input from parents, along with educators and school boards, will be considered by the province when it puts together a single standardized report card for next September.

Taking part in the pilot project not only gives Haliburton's school board an opportunity to have a say in the new report card, but also it allows teachers a taste of what is to come, Robinson said.

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Speaking Loudly:

Newspaper gives high school students a voice of their own

by TASHA MOORE
HHSS Co-op Student

There's a lot of talent in HHSS for journalism as Sue Carr, editor of the new HHSS newspaper, pointed out.

Sue makes up much of the brains and motivation that got the high school newspaper, "Speaking Loudly", started.

"I was just thinking one day about how nice it would be to have one," she says. She feels this newspaper is a project that everyone can contribute to.

After asking a few students if they'd be interested in helping out, she suggested the idea to the principal, Gary Brohman, and gave him a proposal that stated the what, when, how, where, and who of the paper. This included the names of two teachers who had agreed to help them out when needed.

Mr. Brohman approved and "Speaking Loudly" was created. (Bob Sisson won the contest for the newspaper's name.) With around 25 teens on staff, the paper is off to a tremendous start. They've had some help from the school's student council to get them off the ground financially and their first issue came out yesterday.

As editor of the paper, Sue has had to learn to be flexible. Although she at first

wanted to have the paper on newsprint, this is too expensive. They have not as yet ruled out the idea of having newsprint, and will use it when they have the funds.

The paper is by the students, for the students. "It's so that students know what's going on in the school," Sue says. It will also give adults a chance to see what's going on at high school through the students' eyes.

Speaking Loudly will be sold at the high school, and at some local businesses in town.

As mentioned before, there is a lot of talent at HHSS for journalism, and Sue Carr is no exception. Recently made the editor of "Speaking Loudly", Sue has previously worked at the Haliburton County Echo as a co-op student for five months.

Last summer she moved to Barrie to live with her sister. While there, Sue applied for a job at the Barrie Advance. Her brother who works at Rock 95 had connections and helped her get work there.

She wrote "advertorials". One of her stories was about Casino Rama.

Sue also worked on ads and was at one point, the newspaper's Internet spokesperson. "I tried to get into every department while I was there."



HOT OFF THE PRESS: Sue Carr, editor of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's new student newspaper, reads over a copy of the first issue, which came out last week.

She worked until August and then had to go home. Before Sue left, she was asked by the Barrie Advance if she'd write a fortnightly column on issues that affect teens.

This small but vital reporter is now also writing for the "Minden Times". Both of

these jobs are voluntary.

"I'm going to be a journalist," Sue confidently says. She doesn't know who she wants to work for yet, but she plans to go to Ryerson and acquire some training.

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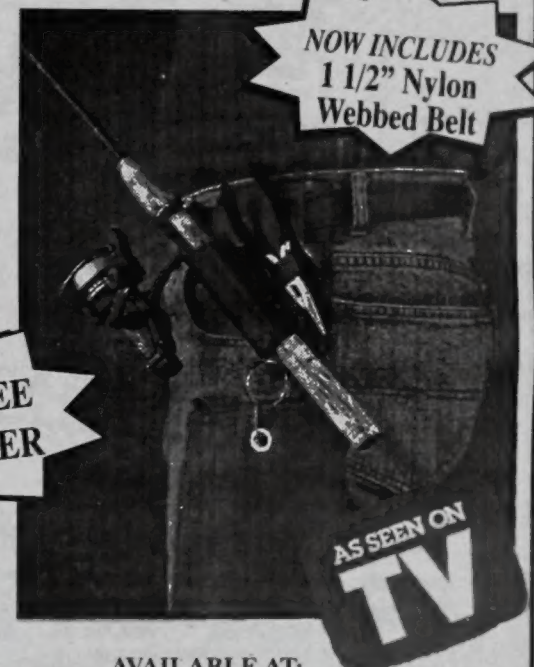
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Ecotourism conference drew big audience

Thanks to all volunteers, participants and speakers who helped make the 1996 Ecotourism Conference a success! Over 100 people attended this second annual event, organized by Sir Sandford Fleming College, on November 21 and 22 at Bark Lake.

The goal was to give participants the know-how to introduce environmentally sensitive and educational programming in the tourism industry. The event attracted a wide range of participants - from university and college students looking for hands-on training in outdoor recreation, to park employees and lodge/resort owners interested in introduc-

ing programming at their establishments.

Conference events began with informative lectures from experienced leaders in the field of ecotourism and ecotourism programming. This included programmer Robin Tapley from Grandview Inn in Huntsville; Peter Elmhirst from Elmhirst Resort and an active member in the Canadian Tourism Commission; Susan Adamson from Elderhostel Canada; John Langford from Toronto-based tour company Voyageur Quest; Jack Ricou the head of Heritage Interpretation Presentation from Parks Canada; Joan Bell and Brian McHattie who have introduced a new

Ecotourism strategy in Hamilton's Conservation Areas; and Rob Heming, a highly respected children's programmer and consultant in the Haliburton Highlands region.

The conference's second day focused on workshops which gave participants a chance to work in smaller focus groups to discuss programming "basics" and techniques.

Saturday's workshops were hosted by Friday's guest speakers, plus a number of special workshop guests, including experienced programmer and recreation leader Lynda Shadbolt; Thom Lambert, an expert in risk management in the outdoor field; Jim Foley, a consultant in the process of setting nationally recognized Ecotourism standards through development of the "Ecologo"; Jim Blake, a local consultant and advocate for equal-access recreation for people with special needs; and Barb McKean, an interpretive programming specialist with the Royal Botanical Gardens.

The Ecotourism Conference did more than just give participants a chance to learn about Ecotourism success stories. It gave people an opportunity to start thinking about introducing programming in their field of work or at their tourism establishment. It was stressed that programming does not have to be large-scale or expensive. It can start with a simple idea and with some creativity and time, become a reality. The conference was also an excellent networking opportunity, where players from all walks of the tourism industry came together to swap ideas and make much needed business connections and partnerships to help ease the transition into Ecotourism-based operation.

Why make this transition? For a tourism operator, it can result in diversified operations which can attract a wider market, a higher occupancy, increased income, decreased costs, and sustainability of the surrounding environment, which many operators depend on for their survival.

Proceedings from the conference will be available from Sir Sandford Fleming College's Ecotourism Management Program, located Sisco Campus, just north of Haliburton on Highway 118. It will contain copies of all lectures and outlines of the workshops held at the conference.

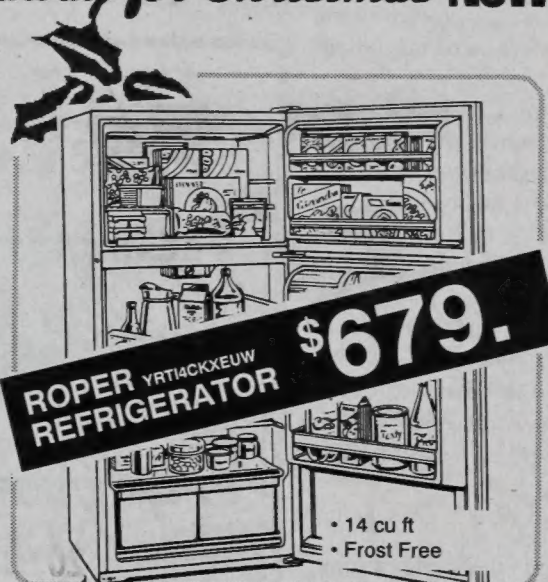
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HHSS needs costly design changes for teens in wheelchairs

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton's school board needs to carry out expensive design changes at the high school to make the building accessible to a growing number of students in wheelchairs.

The high school, which has three small stairways, is "very unfriendly in terms of wheelchair accessibility," said education superintendent Dale Robinson.

Previously the lack of access didn't pose a problem because there were no students in wheelchairs enrolled at the school.

But that has changed recently and the school board quickly needs to build ramps or add lifts to make the school fully accessible.

This semester there is one student at the school who uses a wheelchair but is not confined to it. He is able to walk up and down the stairs while other students carry his wheelchair for him.

However, in February a new student who is confined to a wheelchair and cannot climb stairs is set to begin at the school.

And in September the board anticipates other students who use wheelchairs will move on to the high school from county elementary schools.

The board needs to build ramps or add lifts at two of the three stairways in the high school to ensure students have access to the entire building.

It appears the lifts, which can carry one student in a wheelchair at a time, may be the most practical solution, said business administrator Jim Bradley.

Ramps are problematic because they take up so much space and may force the board to undertake other design changes, such as

moving doorways.

Building regulations dictate that for every inch of rise, a ramp must have 12 inches of run. For example, if a stairway is three-feet high, a suitable ramp would have to be 36-feet long.

The lifts, which travel along a rail beside the stairway, take up far less space, but they are expensive.

When board put two lifts in at Archie Stouffer Elementary School about seven years ago they cost roughly \$30,000.

Those lifts, which are no longer in use, cannot simply be installed at the high school. New regulations will not allow lifts built before 1994 to be re-used.

"I would think it's going to come in around 30 grand," Bradley said.

And at this stage there is no government funding available to help the board make the high school wheelchair accessible.

In addition to being costly, it takes a long time to get lifts.

Because they are custom-made to fit the stairway, it takes up to 20 weeks for delivery, Bradley said.

That means the earliest the board may be able to get the lifts, assuming it decides to use them instead of ramps, would be close to the end of the school year in May.

The board is hoping classroom doorways at the school are wide enough to meet regulations governing wheelchair accessibility. Otherwise, more expensive renovations may be needed.

The school already has one bathroom that is wheelchair accessible.

Bradley said the board will ask an architect to examine the high school and recommend what needs to be done to improve access.



CATCHING THEIR ATTENTION:

Grade 11 student Shane Parks puts a little action into the story he wrote for this Grade 1 class at Victoria Street School. Although the younger students can be tough critics, they all enjoyed the stories and visits from Ann Varty's English class.

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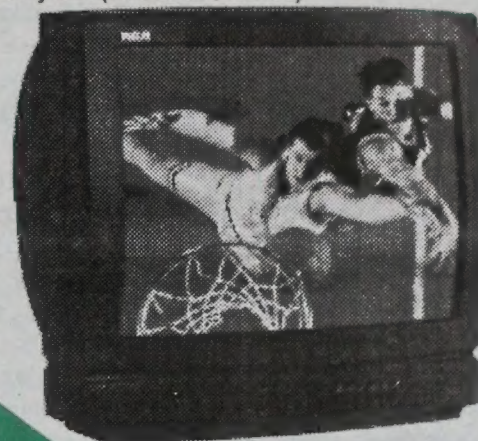
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Editorial

More than a dollar value

IN THIS AGE OF BUDGET cuts and downsizing, one of the first things to go is funding for the arts. After all, how can governments fund gallery's purchase of paintings when hospitals are being closed and children's safety is being endangered along country roads as they walk to catch their bus? Few protests are heard from the general public, who, in this age of government-sponsored multi-culturalism, have begun to view "culture" as the embodiment of government waste and feel-good public policy.

But as *Echo* columnist Marion Hare has been saying in her Art and Me columns over the past few weeks, to cut back funding for the arts is to cut into our souls, both collectively and as individuals. Our lives would be bereft without culture, aka, the arts. What would we listen to on our car radios as we drive to work? What would we watch at night to divert our thoughts from the pressures of the day? How could we see ourselves reflected on the stage and then be amazed at how much we learn from the detached perspective? Where would we find those one-of-a-kind gifts, the type that make us marvel or make us laugh? Who would make us stand with awe as we gaze at a painting which captures the elusive beauty of our world? To ignore the arts is to ignore the fact that evolution is only a science which doesn't explain what it is to have life and love and pain and laughter. We do have souls and it is often our artists who have the gift of touching them and making them grow.

Mrs. Hare's column this week gives ample example of the importance of the performing arts in our communities, but it was written before two weekend performances: the HHSS Drama Club's presentation of two plays (along with a piano solo written and performed by a student) and the Messiah Choir's presentation of *A Gloria...ous Christmas*, two events which also deserve attention.

Movies which cost tens of millions of dollars don't make people laugh as much as the people sitting in the high school auditorium did on Friday night. Both student plays were highly entertaining, and who can explain with words what it was like to watch four teenaged boys pretend they were playing cards as women might do. A good script helped them along, but they brought the plays to life, adding a touch of their own personalities and humours. Since laughter is known to be healthy, watching the plays was like receiving a huge dose of Vitamin C. One only hopes that some of the people involved are willing to make a commitment to the arts. (Security-seeking parents could argue against such a move).

Then there's the Messiah Choir. Every Tuesday night for the past few months, about 80 people from Haliburton, Minden, Carnarvon, Wilberforce, West Guilford and all points in between (including a cottaging couple from Markham) have been gathering at the Haliburton United Church to get told what to do by choir director Melissa Stephens, who along with pianist Wayne Cooper has spent countless other hours preparing for an event that took place once in Minden and once in Haliburton. They do it for the love of music, for the joy of being able to unite their voices, to have the sum greater than the collection of the parts.

Ask yourself this: would the audiences have been equally entertained by staying at home and watching the news on tv? No. Would they have been reminded of what an interesting place this is to live, filled with people who have so many gifts and talents if they had spent a few hours on the internet instead? No. Would they have caught the spirit of the season if they spent the night prowling the corridors of a shopping mall? No. Is there any financial benefit for the choir members for spending so many hours rehearsing the often difficult music? No. Is there an intrinsic and important societal value to their performances? A very big yes.

Apart from all of the above arguments, however, we have to remember that the arts serve an economic role as well. In Toronto, two Broadway-bound performances are having their world premiers. (One of them stars someone who grew up in Lindsay and spent his teenage years in high school productions like the one on Friday night.) Hotels benefit, restaurants benefit, stores benefit, and all the actors and crews get paid and pay their income taxes, too.

Culture has to start somewhere. It has to be supported and applauded in small towns as well as big cities. Thankfully, in the Highlands at least, we have people who are willing to give it their best.

M.P.



Along Koshlong Lake Road

by Len Pizzezy

Letters to the Editor

Landlord gives space to Minden food bank for free

To the Editor:

Re: The December 3 article by Peter Downs entitled 'Minden council find food bank rental cost hard to swallow...' This article is misleading in that it leaves the reader with the impression that the food bank and clothing depot have been paying rent for the use of two rooms at the Easton's valu-mart plaza in Minden. At no time have we paid rent for these rooms. The \$1,200 mentioned in the article was not a bill presented by Lynda Easton but rather a statement to council of what a year's hydro will cost for the two rooms in 1997.

When the food bank and clothing depot opened there was no charge at all for utilities so that the centre could become established. For the period of September of 1996 to December of 1996 Anson, Hindon and Minden council has agreed to pay \$300 to defray Lynda's expense. Starting January of 1997 the food bank and clothing depot will be paying a total of \$100 per month for a yearly total of \$1,200 to cover the hydro bill.

Regarding the statement that council was unaware of a formal request for support issued to the surrounding municipalities, let me clarify this. In the spring of this year the food bank sent a letter to Snowdon, Lutterworth, Stanhope and Anson, Hindon and Minden Townships requesting a financial donation to the

food bank. These townships will be approached again prior to their budget setting meetings.

We at the food bank/clothing depot wish to thank Lynda Easton and her staff along with all the others who have donated their time, money and groceries so that this important outreach program is able to address the

needs of the community.

A service such as ours requires that the community work together and we appreciate everyone's efforts.

Mary Hicks,
Chairperson of Minden
Food Bank

Caring people can make contributions that live on long after they are gone

To the Editor:

I'm sure you've heard at some time or other, "make the best of life, because you're going to be dead a long time."

This kind of thinking doesn't take into account the fact that we were not born for a long time.

Believing our lives is all there is gives some people cause to do what ever they feel they have to do to reach their goals. The trouble is, they don't care who they trample on to get there.

The world is a sad place, when we see newspaper and TV coverage of the plight of Africans for example. I'm sure the super powers could have been in Africa in short order with humanitarian aid, but I suspect they have no self interests to protect.

It's reassuring to know that most people on this earth, are not self-centred and self-serving. It's just a shame we don't hear from them more often. But I suppose by nature, caring people are the last to complain or speak out.

I for one will strive not to be self-centred and self-serving. I hope you will too. I believe with God's grace, we all can live on in spirit for a long time.

Ian Alfred Holland,
Haliburton

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Cottage Christmases

THE SUNLIGHT glinting off the snowy path that led to the lake reminded Mabel of Christmases past. The same sparkle around the river, where the water spray had crystallized on the rocks into diamond-like brilliance, gave her a whole new perspective on winter in the country.



DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch

Christmas at the cottage was a treat not enjoyed until Mabel was well into her teens. Up to that time, the cottage had been strictly a warm weather place. But as the family finances gradually improved, they were able to add more insulation and an oil-fired space heater to the place. It made all the difference. Not only could Mabel then enjoy fall and spring weekends out of the city, but a truly white Christmas became almost guaranteed when it was spent up north.

True, despite the oil burner, Mabel, her brothers and parents spent most of the time tending the woodstoves, carrying in firewood as well as hauling water from the river. But it did not feel like work, perhaps because they did these chores for only a few days. And to be able to step into the kitchen and smell the wonderful mixture of woodsmoke, the newly felled Christmas tree and roasting turkey made almost any job worthwhile.

Mabel saw Christmas as too often a season of frantic activity that reaches its peak for two or three days around December twenty-fifth. Obligatory visits to relatives, and the hospitality of friends and co-workers accepted then reciprocated, can mean long drives over crowded, wintry roads. There is never enough time and what there is no longer feels like her own.

It was different at the cottage. They were stuck there, in the most pleasant sense of the word. Other than venturing out for walks, they stayed put because fires needed tending. Travelling to the city or even into town was out of the question. Mabel's parents made a point of bringing everything the family would need for their stay and she and her brothers were encouraged to do the same.

They would snuggle down in wool socks and moccasins and read or play Monopoly for hours. Her mother would make popcorn and hot chocolate, her father put a prized log of applewood onto the fire and except for the odd ember falling off a log, these were quiet Christmases. Her young brothers, exhausted from outdoor activity, drifted off to sleep early and Mabel would take long walks to the outhouse before retiring herself. It was fun to see her flannel pyjamas hanging over the top of her winter boots as she made the trip outdoors.

There were always a trillion stars, sometimes a spray of northern lights and Mabel liked to stand in the middle of the open lawn and look up. If there was a bit of wind, the massive limbs of an oak or maple would squeak slightly, like a rocking chair on old floor boards. The thin trace of light escaping from around the cottage windows' blinds seemed all the more warm and inviting when seen from the middle of the lawn in late December. She would take a deep breath before going back inside, her nostrils sometimes sticking together and her legs beginning to chill slightly. Still she hated to come in. They were the best Christmases she ever had.



Pic of the Past

With the re-dedication of St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton to be held this Sunday, we thought it was an appropriate time to share these photos of the original church from the collection of Tom Hodgson. The first was taken inside the church on the hill, sometime between its construction in 1864 and its destruction by fire in January of 1921, second photo. "This calamity, however, did not daunt the congregation and work began immediately to build a new

church," Hodgson writes. "Instead of a frame structure the new building had a brick exterior. Essentially the carpenters had replicated the old structure with its distinctive bell tower and gothic windows. What could not be replaced was the organ given by the Thomas Haliburtons and the bell that apparently had an especially beautiful sound." Our thanks to Mr. Hodgson and Jack Hoxie for the photos and information.

Positive letters and more 'Bravos' would be nice

This has been a memorable autumn in the performing arts in the Highlands: a two-piano team concert that had people not just rising for a standing ovation but literally jumping to their feet; a cabaret with soloist and pianist that brought forth the first "Bravos!" that I have ever heard in concerts here; and a play, *The Odd Couple*, that brought forth innumerable chuckles and even many belly laughs. Without question the performers had all succeeded in their desire to entertain us.

It was a comment made the morning after the theatrical presentation that started me thinking. Said my acquaintance, "You know I am still chuckling over that play".

We, the audiences, received so much and in return we had paid out some money, and for a short time responded with our instinctive enthusiasm. But how inadequate that seems when one thinks of the time, talent, effort, and training nec-

essary to so ably entrance us.

That thought led to another seemingly unrelated one, one that has percolated in my head for many years. Letters to the Editor in any newspaper, be it a city daily or a community weekly, are filled with complaints, opposing points of

ART AND ME

Marion J. Hare

view, typographical corrections, etc., etc.. Only rarely, and how pleasant, are there letters of compliments and appreciation.

I can't say that over the years I have regularly read every letter to the editor but it is a common practice with me. So rare are such letters that I actually can remember with surprise two that have been published here in the past few years, one written by David Geary and the other by Joan and Don

Cameron. Surprise because my lifetime scanning of city newspapers had been bereft of such graciousness.

All of which brought me back to my sense of the lack of sufficient gratitude by those of us who attended any of those three performances. Since many artists are known for their avid clipping of newspaper articles relating to their performances and exhibitions, how refreshing it would be for them to read the odd note of thanks in the "Letters to the Editor" section of any paper, (and such clippings would always be sent to the appropriate performer).

In that way artists could hold for future moments of reverie more than just the ephemeral memories of standing ovations, "bravos", and appropriately timed belly laughs. And how refreshing it would be for all of us to read letters of praise not just those of rumblings and grumbings!

Marketplace fellowship

I'm sitting here looking out my favourite dining room windows at the snow closing in on the hills behind Cranberry Lake. The bay of the lake is black and cold, with an ice island floating in its center. Even the spruce, pine and cedars are a grey of the leafless trees on these dull, late November days. It's still good to be home.



NORTHERN LIGHTS

Virginia Muenzel

My daughter and I spent some time in the Buffalo area. Dad was ill, ended up in the hospital, and needed some T.L.C. Happily, he's mending quickly, and will be spending time up here with the family.

One of the neat things about spending time down at Dad's is that there is a mammoth TOPS supermarket right next to his apartment complex. The variety of available goods is amazing. I mainly hung around the fish market. They had every kind of seafood imaginable. And I love fresh fish.

Since I was walking to the store, I shopped by the day for my fish, fruit, veggies, and a couple of heavy items. Consequently, one of the cashiers began to recognize me. (Well, I was the only person walking around wearing a red wool bonnet.) It was nice to have someone say, "Ah, you're back again." or "What are you having tonight?" Because, one of the things I really missed while I was in that huge store, was chatting with all my acquaintances.

The store was very clean. I found pomegranates and catfish, starfish and even morel mushrooms. There was all kinds of organic food. There was enough food in that store to feed a small nation. There was a bank, and a place to eat lunch. The only thing missing was a familiar face.

I was home a week before I got to shop in town. I didn't need a lot of groceries because Ed and my grandson have been keeping the cupboards stocked. Nevertheless, it took most of the afternoon to shop, what with all those stops to chat with Shirley, Eunice, Cathy, Joyce, Nancy, and Aileen. To mention a few.

I didn't get more than a few Christmas gifts bought. But I came away from the village with a whole lot of fellowship. The TOPS market didn't carry it.

Boonieville

by Charlie Telford



Resort's money troubles started long ago

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

It's "business as usual" at PineStone, which is still open for business after being taken into receivership last month. Unfortunately, business "as usual" at PineStone is usually quite shaky.

The Echo has looked back through its files for some of the financial highlights of the history of one of the Highlands' biggest private employers.

• The first guests were given a warm welcome in August, 1976

• On October 20, 1976, The Echo published an eight-page supplement on the inn with 36 motel-type units, banquet facilities, 90-seat dining room, nine-hole golf course, outdoor swimming pool and tennis courts.

"From the mid-1960s, Wren Blair and Jim Gregory held land through Haliburton Youth Developments, which had purchased the LeBoutillier farm. Art Ward held adjoining property through Wigamog Inn.

"Together the three men decided to build an excellent golf course on the combined properties. The matter was discussed a number of times before Wren Blair suggested that a group of five of six men each with their own sphere of expertise be gathered to create the facilities for a new experience that would include much more than a golf course. With this in mind, the One 2 One Corporation was

formed in April, 1974. Art Ward approached the Ontario Development Corporation for financing, in the hopes of benefiting from the ODC's favourable terms. [He was successful in attaining a \$695,000 debenture. The next year, 1976, the corporation got a \$250,000 mortgage from the Federal Business Development Bank. The first was discharged in 1993, the second in 1984.]

"... Local shareholders were obtained for the project, without whose help the plans and project would never have been finalized."

The key players were:

• Wren Blair, president: Born in Lindsay but with local roots, Blair was the general manager of the Minnesota North Stars for eight seasons and operated hockey clubs in Whitby, Oshawa and Kingston. He was the president, chief operating officer and one of three owners of the Pittsburgh Penguins. He and Jim Gregory began the Haliburton Hockey Haven on Koshlong Lake in 1965.

• Jim Gregory, vice-president: General manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs, he began his hockey career playing Junior hockey in Toronto and then becoming involved in coaching and managing Junior teams. He first came to the area with Blair in 1961 and "fell in love with the area. He and his wife and family of three girls and one boy have been summer residents of Haliburton for 11 or 12 years and now plan to build a

h o m e here."

• Art Ward, innkeeper: After graduation from

Ryerson's Hotel School in 1959, he managed hotels for seven years before he and his wife Joan purchased Wigamog in 1967. His "knowledge of innkeeping and service to business conferences and seminars would be invaluable."

• Jack Davison, director of golf: Assistant to the general manager of the Chicago Black Hawks and responsible for minor league clubs in three states, he was also the golf pro at the Oakville Golf and Country for 12 years. He was responsible for the layout of the nine hole course (with plans to expand it to 18 holes.)

• Glen Blair, director in charge of construction: A resident of Haliburton, Blair was property manager of Haliburton Hockey Haven and had a background in construction

• Lee Blair, director: As president of Blair Sand and Gravel, he was responsible for the construction of the golf course and for the co-ordination of all heavy machinery and earth moving

The inn's financial problems started before it even opened. One of the first mentions of the One 2 One corporation at the registry office is a mechanics lien in 1976.

• In November, 1978, The Echo reports that expansion is underway but One 2 One's name doesn't pop up in the registry office records again until 1980, when they list two debentures, both with the Bank of Montreal: one for \$1.5-million and one for \$500,000. Both were discharged in 1989.

• Barrett Brothers Produce provides two mortgages, one in 1982 for \$150,000 and one in 1983 for \$200,000. Both are discharged by 1987

• In February 1983, Echo headlines say PineStone is considering a \$2-million sewage system. Three months later, PineStone begins a \$134,000 expansion

• In August 1984, the nine hole golf course now sports an additional nine holes

• The next references are also big ones. In May of 1988, One 2 One is listed as having a \$7.3-million debenture with the Bank of Montreal and a \$2.5-million mortgage with the management committee of the Canada-Ontario Subsidiary Agreement for Tourism Development. The latter is interest free.

• A glimpse at the Echo's archives says why the money was needed: PineStone undertakes its largest expansion, adding new meeting facilities and rooms. It's all part of the boom which consumed the Highlands in the late '80s, when growth rates surged forward. Now it can really go after the conference centre market (which a few years later will begin to dry up as corporations start watching their expense account pennies.)

• In 1990, rumours about PineStone are circulating and The Echo writes the provincial Ministry of Tourism and Trade asking for an outline of its financial involvement. The reply includes a \$500,000 loan guarantee and subsidized interest under the Tourism Redevelopment Incentive program in 1980; a \$46,500 grant for a market/feasibility study by the federal government under the Canada-Ontario Tourism Development Agreement in 1986; and a \$200,000 marketing grant cost-shared equally by Ontario and Canada and under disbursement

• The PineStone is taken into receivership in March, 1993. Several local backers lose the money or shares they had invested. The Bank of Montreal hires the Delta hotel chain to provide management services

• On June 22, 1993, The Echo reports that Destination Management, a consortium of investors which has signed an offer to purchase, is still looking for investors.

• Neither the \$7.3-million or \$2.5-million registry office references have been crossed out as being discharged and you can see why in a 1993 entry which lists PineStone being sold under power of sale for \$4-million to Destination Management, which is listed as having a \$5-million charge to the Bank of Montreal.

• Starting in 1994, references at the registry office are now for the "PineStone Resort and Conference Centre Incorporated." This corporation, which lists 15 investors, now owns PineStone, not Destination Management. It has a charge of \$650,000.

• One of the principal investors, Donald Crowe of Minden invests an additional \$110,000 in March, 1996. A month later, he's named president after a board of directors meeting

• November 15, 1996, the Bank of Montreal once again takes PineStone into receivership, hiring a Toronto-based accounting firm to take control of the resort's financial operations and search for a new owner. Although not as many of the investors are locals this time, dozens of local suppliers get stung. Gladly for the economy, and the spirit of Christmas, there have been no lay-offs associated with the receivership.

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Passing game key to Atoms' winning ways

by BRYAN BROWN

For 16 games Coach Cooper and his assistants had preached pass, pass and more passes. Then in Port Perry on November 28 it happened, more passes than the eye could follow and a scoreboard that lit up like a pinball machine. For three solid periods the OMHA Atom Huskies played to their potential and totally overwhelmed Port Perry to the tune of 9 - 1. Norm Smith's long point shot, assisted by Joel Cooper, started the Husky tally. Adam Hutson chipped in a loose puck with assists going to Shawn McInnes and Brandon Bowman. Continued pressure by the Huskies saw Ross Gerry tap in a goal-mouth pass from Jeremy Miscio. Josh Brown also assisted. Ross Gerry scored again before he and Joey Sisson set up Joel Cooper. Adam Hutson stripped a Port Perry defenceman of the puck and went in alone from centre ice. The third period was more of the same. First it was Joel Cooper tapping in Ross Gerry's pass. Then Gerry completed his hat trick and five-point night by burying a wrist shot in the top corner as Joel Cooper won the draw. Mat Manary closed out the scoring with his point shot through several players.

The next night, however, the Huskies couldn't buy a break in an 8 - 2 home ice loss to Beaverton. In a chippy and relatively wide open game the Huskies found themselves short-handed three times in the game's first 10 minutes and behind 3 - 0 by the end of the opening period. The score was 5 - 0 after two periods. The Huskies were finally rewarded for their hard work in the third period when Ross Gerry scored on a breakaway set-up by Joel Cooper. Shawn McInnes, who had an outstanding game, ended his frustrations with an unassisted breakaway goal.

Two days later the Huskies made it four wins in five starts with a 7 - 1 victory in Huntsville. After territorially dominating the scoreless first period Haliburton fell behind 1 - 0 at 24 seconds of the second frame. This only seemed to further encourage the Huskies and Ross Gerry's hard wrist shot after a pass from Joel Cooper did the damage.

The Huskies struck quickly in the third when Jeremy Miscio converted Joel Cooper's set-up. Then Miscio cashed in a second straight on a pass from Josh Brown. Josh Brown passed to Joel Cooper who went the length of the ice. Ross Gerry's unassisted sharp angle shot made it 5 - 1 before passes from Joel Cooper

and Josh Brown sprung Shawn McInnes for a breakaway goal. Brandon Bowman closed out the scoring on yet another breakaway after being sent in by McInnes.

The victory was particularly impressive considering the fact that the Huskies only played with nine skaters. The defensive threesome of Josh Brown, Norm Smith and Mat Manary played particularly well limiting Huntsville to only 11 shots on goal for the game.



IF YOU CAN'T CATCH HIM, HOOK HIM: A Haliburton Atom Huskie copes with more than a little stick interference during the C championship final of a one day tournament at the Dysart arena on Saturday. It was a frustrating final for the local boys, who had to settle for a 9-1 loss to Brighton. Ennimore was the overall winner of the eight team tourney, with the B championship going to Oshawa and the D to Lindsay.



CLOSE, BUT NO GOAL LIGHT: OMHA Atom Adam Hutson rings one off the post in C championship action of a one day tournament in Haliburton on Saturday.

Busy weekend for PeeWee Cs

by ROBYN THOMAS

The Haliburton PeeWee Cs game on November 30 against Fenelon Falls was hard fought, going right down to the wire. The Huskies started off quickly with Cory Sisson's goal, assisted by Ryan Goldenberg, with a play set up from a point shot by Cory Poole.

Fenelon stormed back in the second period with two unanswered goals.

The stage was set for an exciting third period. Ryan Hutson, our netminder, played another strong game, facing a barrage of shots and clear cut breakaways. Cory Sisson tied the game, with Jeff Packard assisting on the play. The trio of Brock Thomas, Matt Hutchinson and Cory Poole, played a tight game on defense. With only minutes left and Fenelon's third goal of the

night, Coach Greg Bishop pulled Ryan Hutson for a sixth attacker, but the puck didn't reach the net. Fenelon won 3 - 2. Nice try Huskies.

Game 2 on Sunday pitted Bobcaygeon against our boys in blue. Although the score was somewhat lopsided in Bobcaygeon's favour 8 - 2, there were some great Husky efforts. Chris Bishop scored twice. The first goal was set up by some nifty team work from Matt Gerry and Doug Roswell. The second goal came when Brock shot the puck across the ice.

The play of the day came from Cory Sisson, with an end to end rush through the entire Bobcaygeon team. The end result was an in/out goal that was seen by everyone but the refs. Remember boys, it's a team effort, a positive attitude makes you all winners.

OLDTIMERS HOCKEY • by KEN RILEY

Oldtimers plan to start their own bank, for fun and profit

The banks came out with their year end statements this week and to their dismay they discovered that they only made \$1.5-billion more than last year. This simply is not good enough! Some financial institutions are already dabbling in other areas to increase profits, i.e. real estate and insurance. Watch for them to come out with a whole new range of services so that they can cash in even more. Rumour has it that MBank is coming out with the new cash stop/deli counter. Not to be out-done Scotiabank has the loan dept./hair salon and believe it or not T.D. has the new drive through A.T.M./car wash!

Jumping on the band wagon the members of the Wilberforce Oldtimers Hockey League got together to create our own counting house. We call it the Oldtimers Hockey Bank of Underwriting, Loans and Liability, or as we like to be called O.H.B.U.L.L.! Not only do you get competitive interest rates and easy loan approval, you also get season tickets to all W.O.H.L. games! Beat that!

Speaking of hockey, three games were played this week, starting with the battle of Haliburton, with the Haliburton Hawks taking on the Clarkson Plumbers. It was two - zip after the first for the Hawks, Tom Curry getting both markers. The Plumbers got the only tally of the second from Joe Roberts. This seemed to wake the Hawks up as they won the third 4 - 1 and made the final: Hawks 6 - Plumbers 2. Rounding out the Hawks' scoring were Steve Roberts, Brian Shaw, Derrell Stamp and Mr. No. Name, #17. Jerry Walker had the Clarkson's lone goal of the third.

In game two it was Apsley facing off against Whitney. Apsley took it to Whitney from the outset and had a 4 - 0 lead late into the third period. Apsley netminder Lou Dummitt seemed headed for the shutout, but with just 0:54 seconds left, Whitney's Ross Hildebrandt spoiled the party! Top scorer for Apsley was Lee Donaldson with a pair, Greg Tucker and Al Gronman had one each.

Bancroft Canadian Tire and Wilberforce Golden Ponders took to the ice for game three. After a scoreless first, C.T.C. jumped to a 3 - 0 lead on goals from Ted Van Dusen, Craig Partridge and Ralph Keeler. The Tiremen continued to roll in the third with Tom Armstrong popping in two. The Ponders' Rolland Pelletier had a lone marker in the third to end it, C.T.C. 5 - Wilberforce 1.

This week it's C.T.C. vs. Whitney, Plumbers vs. Wilberforce, and Hawks vs. Apsley, so get out and cheer for the old boys. They provide great hockey action you can bank on!

Novice A Huskies make tourney final

by ANDREA DONALDSON

On Saturday the Novice A Huskies travelled to Brighton for a tournament.

In the first game against Kingston, the Huskies won 10 - 2. Scorers were: Jono from Aaron; Kevin from Justin; Jesse from Josh; Tim, unassisted; Aaron from Jono and Josh; Jesse, unassisted; Calvin from Adam; Adam from Tim and Kevin; Aaron from Jono and Jesse; and Jesse from Calvin, an excellent start.

Second game was face to face with Sterling. This was an exciting game from start to finish.

The first period was scoreless. Second period the Huskies got us on the scoreboard with Tim Pettit scoring, assisted by Kevin and Calvin. Sterling then tied up the game, but the Huskies went ahead again with awesome passing from Josh

Fick and Aaron Donaldson, goal two being scored by Jesse (Buckshaw) Johnson. Goal three was scored by Josh (Lightning) Fick, assisted by Aaron (L'il Red) Donaldson, and Matthew (Dude) Tripp. Our defence and goalie Chris (The Cat) Johnson played excellently, helping with the 3 - 2 win.

Were the Huskies tired of hockey?

Not a chance. Final score: Huskies 11 - Bobcaygeon 2

This put the boys in the A finals against Napanee, an awesome team, with some great action play. Our boys tried hard and played well with a loss of 2 - 0. Way to go boys - Jessie Johnson was named MVP.

On Sunday they played Bobcaygeon at home. Were our Huskies tired of hockey? Not a chance. Final score: Huskies 11 - Bobcaygeon 2. Hats off to the coaches. They are doing a great job. Special mention goes to our defence team and our goalie Chris Johnston.

NORDIC NOTES

Some timely advice on choosing classic skis

by BLAKE PATON

Last week I recommended that classic skiers, those who use the traditional kick-and-glide stride, should strongly consider moving to waxable skis if they wish to increase their glide and enjoyment of the sport. This week I would like to follow up with some advice about buying equipment, specifically buying classic equipment.

Racers know that each ski that comes from the factory is unique, and team technicians agonize over ski selection. The technicians will go to a distributor or factory and spend hours trying to find well-matched pairs of skis. They then go to their team members and give them skis that are well-suited to their weight and height. Wise recreational skiers will follow a similar routine as they purchase equipment, but there is one big difference: average skiers like us have to pay for the equipment. And when you pay, you want to be sure that you're getting the right equipment.

Any ski shop will be able to tell you roughly how long your skis should be. Remember that some manufacturers are producing skis that are intended to be much shorter than what are considered to be the standard lengths. These short skis are often a good choice for the beginning skater, but I think that classic skiers should avoid them because with either grip wax or (heaven forbid) a waxless base these short skis do not glide well. It is better to select a standard length for in-track skiing.

Once you have the correct length, you must get the correct flex for your weight. Getting the correct flex is crucial to good ski performance. Most quality skis should have a recommended weight range, but it is only a guideline, and if your weight is at either end

of the range, then you should get a wax pocket test. If you intend to race, then you should never buy classic skis without a wax pocket test.

Good ski shops will do this test as a matter of competent service. The salesman will have you step on the skis on top of a flat surface, like glass for example. The salesman will then slide a piece of paper under the weighted skis to find the area under the foot that does not contact the snow when your weight is distributed evenly over both skis. This determines the glide zone of the base. He will then check to make sure that your weight is sufficient to put the entire base in firm contact with the snow when one ski is weighted. This ensures that you will get good grip and not backslide.

Why play with the paper? The result is that the salesman will be able to tell you exactly where you should put the grip wax. The wax outside of

this area will reduce your glide because it will be slowing you down as you glide, double-pole or ski hills.

This process is important to follow with children's equipment too. If a little skier is frustrated by skis that do not grip or glide well, then he or she will find it difficult to enjoy the sport. Remember too, that children grow quickly and that skis will be outgrown as quickly as boots and poles.

On a different note, I realize that last week's column listed an incorrect Internet site for World Cup results. The correct location is:

<http://reimari.uwasa.fi/~hkn/WC-Skiing>

I have a list of many more Internet sites dedicated to skiing. If you'd like a copy, then drop me an e-mail message. My address is: blakpato@enoreo.on.ca

Finally, the World Cup stops in Davos, Switzerland December 7 and 8. Check next week's column for a summary of the results. Think snow!

If a little skier is frustrated by skis that do not grip or glide well, then he or she will find it difficult to enjoy the sport

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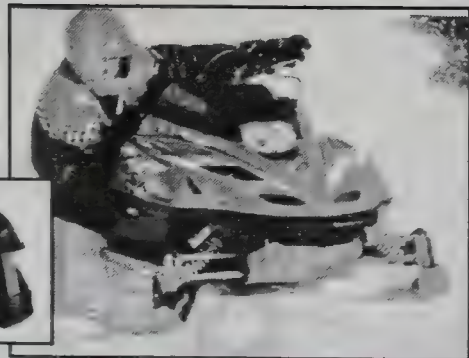
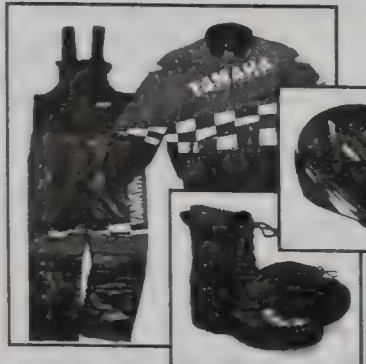
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Land owners are crucial to the HCSA's trail system

by KEN EVANS
HCSA President

As we head into another winter in the Highlands, the executive and directors of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association would especially like to thank the volunteers and land owners.

It's volunteers who have repaired bridges and readied trails over the summer and fall, and who will groom this winter.

None of this would be possible if it weren't for the landowners. Often times, the general public doesn't realize that without land

owners' permission, key trails would close, cutting off access to businesses and towns. Snowmobilers must be diligent in treating public and private property as if it were their own. It is a priceless commodity. HCSA sincerely appreciates the land owners who have allowed us to enjoy the use of their property over the years.

On behalf of HCSA, best wishes for the holiday season and happy trails!

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Local sled racers excel in snocross at Sault Ste. Marie

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Two young Haliburton County brothers have sped to impressive starts to their snowmobile racing careers.

Performing recently in their first-ever snocross event — the snowmobiling equivalent to motorcycling's motocross races — Luke and A.J. Lester of South Lake had heads turning with their strong performances.

Luke, a 17-year-old student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, took two first-place trophies and raced to fifth- and sixth-place finishes in two other races.

His younger brother, A.J., a 14-year-old student at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, logged a seventh-place finish in the only race his age would allow him to compete in.

The event was held two weekends ago at Searchmount Ski Resort, near Sault Ste. Marie.

Their spectacular performances are even more impres-

sive, considering the high number of racers that took part in the competition. Because it was the first snocross race of the season across North America, more than 550 racers from Canada and the United States entered the event.

Usually about 300 racers will compete in a typical Canadian snocross competition, said A.J. and Luke's father, Mark Lester, whose company publishes four snowmobiling magazines.

"These guys are following in a rich tradition of snocross racers from Haliburton County," said Mr. Lester, noting the success of Minden racer Steve Stewart. "We were quite pleased with the way they performed."

Snocross racing has been "exploding" in popularity with racers and spectators, virtually wiping out traditional oval track snowmobile races, said Mr. Lester. At the Searchmount event there were more than 6,000 paying spectators.

And at a typical snocross competition in the U.S., more than



AWAITING THE START:

A.J. Lester, left #777 and Luke Lester, right, #13w, at the Searchmount Snocross

25,000 people will pay to see the races.

In snocross, racers compete on a course laid out on a ski hill

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This weekend, Luke and A.J. will race in their second competition at Mount St. Louis in

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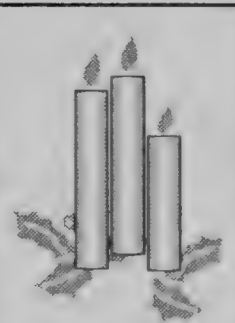
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Atom Rockets win one for the 'gipper', also known as coach

by SUE CLARKSON

The Atom Rockets hosted the Cannington A team November 30. The Atoms knew they were going to have to work hard, not only because this team was up a level, but because it was the coach's birthday and he called on them to "win one for the gipper".

They started fast and never stopped. This end to end game turned out to be one of the best competitions of the year. Not one Rocket player slacked off. The passing tries and completions were outstanding. Goalie Matt Davidson was awesome. The defence crew, Paul Hutchinson, Brandon Logan, Matthew Reil and Daniel Vanier protected their end incredibly well, allowing almost half the shots on goal that the Rockets made on Cannington. The forwards, Gavin Swan, Darren Mandefel, Andy Sayers, Terry Bannon, and Mitchell Clarkson, lambasted the Cannington goalie

but were stoned many times. We scored in the first and third to win this one 2 - 0. Mitchell scored twice - the first assisted by Paul, the second by Brandon. A well earned shutout for Matt D. What a super game!

The following day we were in Minden with the Monarchs. This was Wally Loos' coaching debut along with assistants, Dave and Dave, (Swan and Reil). The defence crew once again worked hard. Matthew R. had a banner game. Matt D. made several super saves to keep the team in the game. Gavin started the scoring. Each time the Rockets got the lead, Minden came back to answer. It was 4 - 3 for the Rockets in the dying seconds of the game when the opposition scored with just eight seconds left. Final score: Rockets 4 - Monarchs 4. Matthew R., Gavin, and Terry each scored one and assisted on another. Mitchell scored one and Darren earned an assist.

Monarchs arrive for fun exhibition game

by SUE CLARKSON

The Minden A team travelled to Wilberforce on the first day of December to play an exhibition game with our Bantam B team. A good portion of the players on the teams know each other from school and were out for a fun time.

In the first, penalties by each team produced few shots on net. Rocket goaltender, Tyler Stire, was absolutely awesome throughout, but particularly in the first period of play. Tyler continued to astound the fans with his incredible play in

the second keeping the score at zero until the 6:17 mark when the Monarchs got by him on their third quick attempt.

In the third, the Rockets perhaps showed their best offensive chances. At the 4:15 mark of the third Shane Parks, assisted by Ian Brown, was able to put one in their net. Final score: Monarchs 2 - Rockets 1. Though this was an excellent game, the consensus was that our guys weren't up to snuff with their passing and that's what caught them this time. A rematch may be in the making.

Major Tykes make a minor adjustment

by SANDY JOHNSTON

On November 26 the Rocket Major Tykes traded their practice time for an exhibition game with the Haliburton Huskies. The first period started out strong for the Huskies, culminating in their sliding three goals past Wilberforce goalie Matthew Johnston. Matthew tried to stay solid in net making a nice glove save.

In the second period, Travis MacKay scored an unassisted goal. There was a lot more action for the Rockets in the third period as

Travis scored four more unassisted goals. Way to go Travis. Jeremy Orth, Kyle Steel, Dryden Hurst, Adam DeCarlo, Jesse Tallman, Andi Donaldson, Josh Townsend, Julian Forget, and Cody Hurst all had a good game as well. Nice team work guys. Keep digging for that puck - it will pay off. Final score: Huskies 9 - Rockets 5.

Good news at the recent Tri-County meeting. Our Major Tyke team is now a Minor Tyke team. This will certainly help to make the games more competitive.

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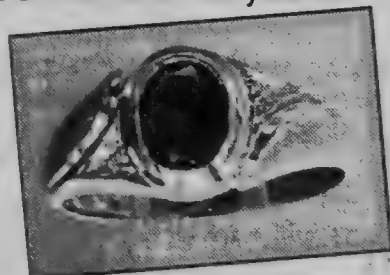
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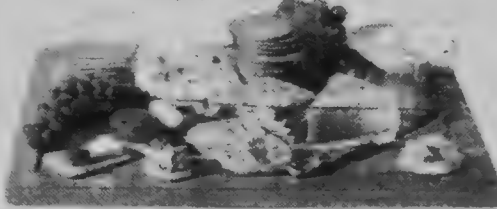
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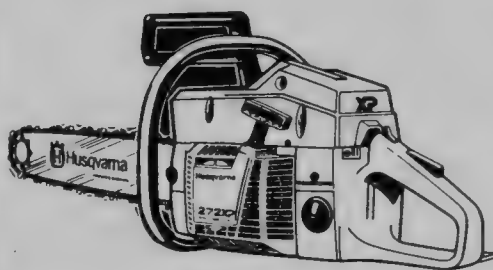
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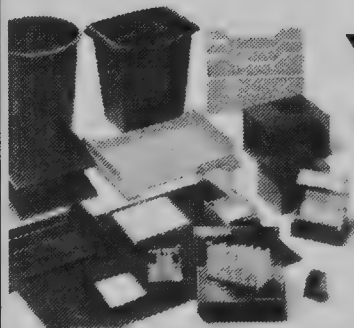
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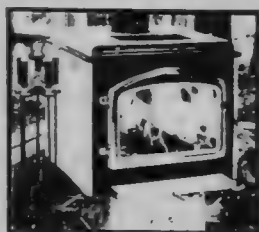
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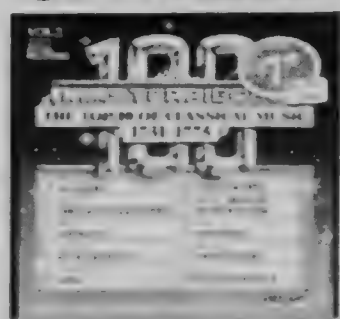
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Mighty Mites skate to big win in opener

by COACH GRIFF

The Haliburton "Mighty Mites" came up with a huge win in their first regular season game on Sunday. With ten of the finest four and five-year olds in the county playing for the Huskies, the scouts will soon be out to watch these speedy skaters. Playing against the Mariposa Lightning in the home opener, the scoring started early as Scott Griffith found the mesh with passes from Daniel Sisson and Jesse Frybort. A minute later, Jesse Frybort found himself alone in front of the net and the red light went on as assists went to Cj Clarkson and Nathan Woodcock. In the second period Jesse Stoughton wowed the fans with an end to end rush and an unassisted goal. With some fine checking on the blue line, defenceman Nathan Woodcock decided it was his turn and he popped one in with help from the two Jesses, Frybort and Stoughton. Not one to slow down, Jesse Stoughton, a minute later found the top corner with a pass from Cole Scheffee and assist number three to Jesse Frybort. With the score five to

zero and thirty seconds left in period two, Daniel Sisson snapped the net with help from Cj Clarkson.

Twenty-five seconds into the third period the Lightning finally scored and although they had many chances, our goalies were flawless. Luke Watson made some spectacular saves as did Scott, Cole and Nathan. This goal against caused only more discomfort for the Mariposa defence as Scott Griffith wheeled in for goal number two with assists from Cj Clarkson (number 3 for the day) and Nathan Woodcock (third point of the day). Team scoring leader Jesse Stoughton made the hat trick with seconds left in the game with assists to Cole Scheffee and assist leader Jesse Frybort.

Although the score was a severe 8 - 1 for the Huskies, great fun was had by all players. In the change rooms after the game, both teams enjoyed huge hockey cakes which were generously donated by Marion Markowski of Rachel's Bakery. Thanks to Marion, Coach Mick and all the "Mighty Mite" fans who cheered us on to victory!



GETTING ACTIVE: Archie Stouffer Elementary School phys ed. teacher Eva Griffith leads a step aerobic class at Dorset Community Centre. She was visiting the school to show her fellow teachers activities they can do with their classes in daily quality physical education.

Peewee Rockets power to a fast start

by KATHY SHARPE

The Peewee Rockets started out the season by winning seven in a row followed by loss. So far seven must be their lucky number. The players who make up

this strong PeeWee team are: Ken Mott, Mike Jones, Bill Chee Choo,

Paul Wesley, Rob Sharpe, Ben DeCarlo, Jeremy Huffman, Chris Alden, Justin Winder, Billy Hunter, Matt Shaw and Chris Peacock.

On November 25 Bobcaygeon hosted.. From the drop of the puck Bobcaygeon dominated, accumulating three goals in the first period alone. The Rockets pulled together tied the game in the second. Justin Winder set up the first goal, sent into the net by

Chris Alden. Chris sent the second and third goal in to bulge the twine. In the third period, with no rest in between, the Bobcaygeon players ended the game by winning 6 - 3.

A week later, another Bobcaygeon team hosted the Rockets, who did a great job. Our first goal was sent to the net by Mike Jones, assisted by Chris Alden. Final score: Bobcaygeon #2, 5 - Rockets, 1.

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Thursday Mixed, November 28

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Women: High Average - Joan Rivard, 171; High Single - Sheila Woodcroft/Joan Rivard, 185; High Single HC - Sheila Woodcroft, 251; High Triple - Deb Cox, 506; High Triple HC - Deb Cox, 662.

Congratulations to Joan Rivard and Rob McKnight, winners of the Hi-Low Doubles with a plus 185.

Youth Bowling, November 30

PeeWee: Boys: High Average - Brad Brown, 113; High Single - Cody Liscombe, 95; High Double - Cody Liscombe, 176. Girls: High Average - Tori Brown, 85; High Single - Samantha Kovich, 71; High Double - Samantha Kovich, 141.

Bantam: Boys: High Average -

Novice Rockets turn in an inspiring game

by JOHN MORIN

On November 30, the Wilberforce Novices played a much improved Bobcaygeon squad. This was a very tight checking game with the Rockets taking a 1 - 0 victory. The only goal of the game came with fifteen seconds left in the second period by Shawn Crowder with the assist going to Kanan Quibell. Well done boys.

On December 1 the team travelled to Lindsay for a game with a select team. Right from the beginning this was a very high-paced, fast-moving game, with numerous chances at either end. Wilberforce opened the scoring on a goal by Kanan Quibell with the assist going to James Thompson. The game stayed tied at one until early in the third when Lindsay took advantage of a very tired group of Rockets. The boys got their second wind at the halfway mark and once again held their own. Shawn Crowder finished out the Rocket scoring with a goal late in the third, assisted by Drew Galloway.

These boys should be congratulated for a truly inspiring effort as they were outmanned by a complete line as well as playing a length of game they have never experienced before - two fifteen-minute and a final twenty-minute period.

Those players mentioned above and the following players, all deserve congratulations on a job well done - Jonathan Belbin, Shane Gillick, Galen Bowman, Daniel Riley, Jesse MacKay, Adam DeCarlo and Stephen Meharrie. Hats off to a bunch of absolutely gutsy boys who never said die. Final score: Lindsay 7 - Rockets 2.

Brad Mickle, 161; High Single - Kyle Burley, 160; High Triple - Jeff Mickle, 426. Girls: High Average - Lesley Cox, 104; High Single - Robin Ketner, 119; High Triple - Rebecca Neave, 276.

Junior/Senior: Boys: High Average - Jeremy Pearce, 168; High Single - Dennis Cox, 237; High Triple - Dennis Cox, 535. Girls: High Average - Jennifer Moore, 164; High Single - Jennifer Moore, 160; High Triple - Kelly Berry, 417.

Monday Mixed, December 2

Women: High Single -

Marlene Robinson, 254; High Single HC - Marlene Robinson, 268; High Triple - Marlene Robinson, 660; High Triple HC - Marlene Robinson, 702.

Men: High Single - Daryl Moore, 349; High Single HC - Daryl Moore, 822; High Triple HC - Daryl Moore, 876.

Tuesday Mixed, December 3

Men: High Average - Scott Moore, 228; High Single - Fred Cox, 243; High Single HC - Jim Mickle, 269; High Triple - Norm Goldenberg, 630; High Triple HC - Norm Goldenberg, 726.

Women: High Average - Cathy Snell, 198; High Single - Cathy Snell, 241; High Single HC - Cathy Snell, 263; High Triple - Cathy Snell, 614; High Triple HC - Mary-Lou Packard, 710.

Tuesday Seniors - December 5

Men: High Average - Ray Lymer, 192; High Single - Jerry Warren, 235; High Single HC - Don Gartley, 270; High Triple - Jerry Warren, 642; High Triple HC - Jerry Warren, 729.

Women: High Average - Carolyn Beer, 172; High Single - Carolyn Beer, 221; High

Single HC - Gladys Wruth, 270; High Triple, Carolyn Beer, 571; High Triple HC - Carolyn Beer, 703.

636 Mixed, December 7

Men: High Average - Fred Knight, 198; High Single - Fred Knight, 233; High Single HC - Frank Sargent, 290; High Triple - Fred Knight, 594; High Triple HC - Lloyd Brown, 718.

Women: High Average - Georgi Parkes, 164; High Single - Bev Johnson, 198; High Single HC - Bev Johnson, 262; High Triple - Bev Johnson, 546; High Triple HC - Bev Johnson, 738.

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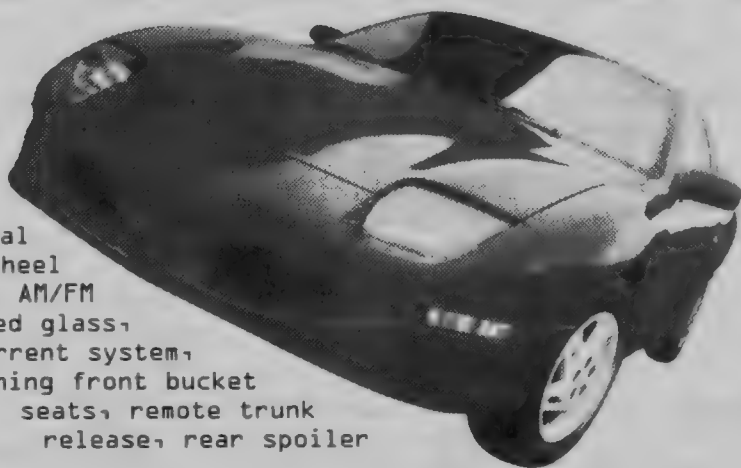
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Stanhope names its Citizen of the Year

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Joan Sobil has been living permanently in Stanhope for only a short time, but already she has been recognized for the positive impact her contributions to the community have had on dozens of children and their parents.

Sobil was recently named Stanhope's Citizen of the Year, primarily for her efforts to organize the county's first recreational soccer league.

Stanhope reeve Jock Mavor made the surprise announcement at the municipality's annual Christmas dinner for local volunteers two weekends ago.

"I was so shocked. I couldn't believe it," Sobil said. "I was so honoured."

After cottaging in Stanhope for most of her life, Sobil and her husband Dennis and their two sons decided to move to Maple Lake permanently less than four years ago.

In the Oshawa area, where the family previously lived, soccer was the most popular summer sport for kids, even bigger than baseball.

Sobil felt the sport could be just as popular in Stanhope.

Two summers ago she and Bruce Hicks organized a pick-up league for children.

But last summer Sobil decided to put together a more structured league, with volunteer coaches and set teams.

The result was a huge hit — so many kids wanted to play that there was a waiting list with about 15 names on it.

Every Tuesday night for 10 weeks of the summer 74 children between the ages of five and nine played soccer on teams coached by 12 volunteers.

Next summer Sobil plans to expand the number of teams in the league. She anticipates between 100 and 120 kids will be able to play.

Because the league is purely recreational, all children get an equal chance to play on the field and nobody sits on the sidelines for an entire game.

Sobil, who received her Level 1 coaching certificate last spring in a national training program, said she and the other coaches concentrate on making the game fun and positive for the kids. There is no pressure put on the children to win, as



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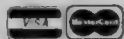
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THIS IS HOW IT'S DONE: Paul Brown, centre, answers questions from entrepreneurship students Erin Turner and Rachel De Jong about his board game, Countryfied, and what it takes to be a success. Brown and his wife Joan invented the game and with several other investors, have already spent \$500,000 to get it into people's homes.

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SMARTIFIED:

Making it big takes huge commitment, board game inventor tells students

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

He wears red cowboy boots with black flames snaking out from the pointy toes. His whitish-blond hair is shoulder length and naturally curly but he keeps his snow-white beard neatly trimmed. Instead of a tie, he wears a silver bolo against the bright white collar of his shirt. And the businessman's pinstripe suit has been replaced by a jacket that a cowboy might wear to his best friend's wedding. All he needs is a Stetson.

If the key to success is marketing, then Paul Brown sees himself as part of the package. And Paul Brown is dressed for success.

He's sitting in a classroom at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, answering questions from Irv Sternberg's Grade 11 entrepreneurship class. As teenagers, these kids may be eager for quick riches. He tells them it's possible, but it's not quick. Success also comes with a price. Already, Brown, his wife Joan and a host of investors have sunk half-a-million dollars into the pro-

duction and promotion of their board game, Countryfied. And it is only now that it is on the brink of cracking the multi-million dollar board game business. To go over the edge, he expects they'll have to spend a further \$200,000.

"No matter how fast you want to get there, there's a certain route you have to follow," he says, and he's been learning how to negotiate all the twists and hills since he and his wife invented the game one night in

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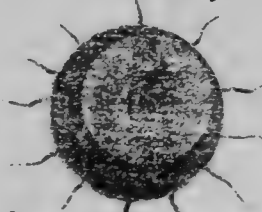
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Patience is key to business success

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1992 at their kitchen table in Haliburton. (His wife was completing a computer course and was unable to join him in the classroom presentation.)

Asked what advice he'd give to budding entrepreneurs, Brown says "patience is number one... There's no easy way to do it."

Deep pockets help, too.

"There isn't a bank this side of the border, or on the other side of the border, that would have anything to do with anyone like myself. It's total risk and banks aren't into total risk."

Countryfied has made it this far because of the Browns' financial, emotional and physical commitment - he gets by on four hours sleep a night and "my blood pressure is four times higher than it should be" - and because of a group of investors, some big and some small. Investors' percentage of the profits will depend on how much

they have invested.

Brown says it cost them \$30,000 just getting the board game to production level, and then \$45,000 to make the first 1,000 units. From day one, he learned how to talk in the tens of thousands of dollars because he soon realized that was what it would take to be noticed by wholesalers and retailers.

Even this recent licensing deal with the Gibson guitar company cost Countryfied money. Although it will be a Gibson guitar which is featured on the newly-designed board, helping to promote the top name in guitars, it was Countryfied which had to pay for such a privilege.

"Gibson said they didn't need the advertising, we did," Brown told the class. "We'll run with

the big boys so we'll pay. I gave up all my Christmas money just to get Gibson licensing rights."

Gibson is definitely one of the big boys. A giant, in fact. For music fans, it's up there with Coca Cola and Levi jeans. Brown says getting the licensing

with the Gibson name on the box and the board, it adds a cachet for potential buyers. If Gibson makes the best guitars, maybe this could be the best game for people who like to listen to the music the guitars make.

However, as well as paying for the licensing rights, it's costing \$50,000 to re-tool the production. Instead of

using Corel Draw, they've switched to Adobe Photoshop to produce the board and box. The background colour will be green instead of blue, and the guitar will feature fancier graphics, such as oyster shell colouring.

At the same time, Countryfied has just sold television rights to Mary Bailey Management, which hopes to pitch a televised

version of the game which will become as popular as Jeopardy. This too costs a lot of money, but if it works, the investors stand to make a lot of money in royalties.

"Stand to." So far, Countryfied has not put huge profits into the pockets of the investors or the Browns. In fact, Brown still works on electrical jobs to make sure they have a bit of cash flow.

As he leaves the school, the students either scared off or inspired, Brown is asked why he and his wife have kept at it, why they've continued to invest so much money and so many dreams into the game.

"If I still wasn't gaining ground, it's not as if I'd want to give up, I'd have to," he says.

And then the man who's dressed for success gets into his cream-coloured Cadillac. It fits. If image counts, then the creators of Countryfied count on making it big.

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Rock tables gun control laws to support Firearms Act

Federal Justice Minister Allan Rock recently tabled proposed gun control regulations to the support of the Firearms Act, outlining licensing fees and deadlines.

Under the proposed regulations, which are to be reviewed by the Senate

and members of the House of Commons, licensing of firearms owners will begin in 1998. Gun owners will have until January 2001 to obtain a licence for the first time.

The fee for a five-year, possession-only licence in 1998 will be \$10, rising to

\$45 in 1999 and \$60 in 2000.

The cost of a possession and acquisition licence for non-restricted firearms will be \$60 for five years. A similar licence for restricted or prohibited firearms will be priced at \$80 for five years.

According to the Firearms Act, all gun owners will have to register their weapons by January 1, 2003.

In 1998, individuals will pay a flat fee of \$10 to register all the non-restricted guns they own, provided they are registered at the same time. This fee will rise to \$18 by January 1, 2001.

Beginning as of the same date, anyone buying ammunition will require a valid firearms licence. Until then, the proposed regulations would allow individuals without licences to use other forms of approved identification.

Anyone with questions on the new gun control law or the proposed regulation can call the Firearms Enquiries Centre toll-free at 1-800-731-4000.

Local healthcare system may benefit from spending

The Minister of Finance's recent economic statement has the potential for improving healthcare services in Haliburton County. Among the highlights are:

- a "re-investment" of of \$170-million in community-based long-term care for such things as nursing, therapy, homemaking and meals programs
- increased funding for cardiac care
- \$15.5-million for addition training for Ontario's paramedics
- increased funding for Northern medical schools, funding for a rural training program at the University of Western Ontario and paying higher weekend wages to doctors working in underserved areas
- 30 more examination centres for the early detection of breast cancer
- making 275 new drugs available to seniors and welfare recipients
- re-investing" \$23.5-million to enhance community-based mental health services to ensure services are in place before any more changes are made to in-patient services delivered by psychiatric hospitals

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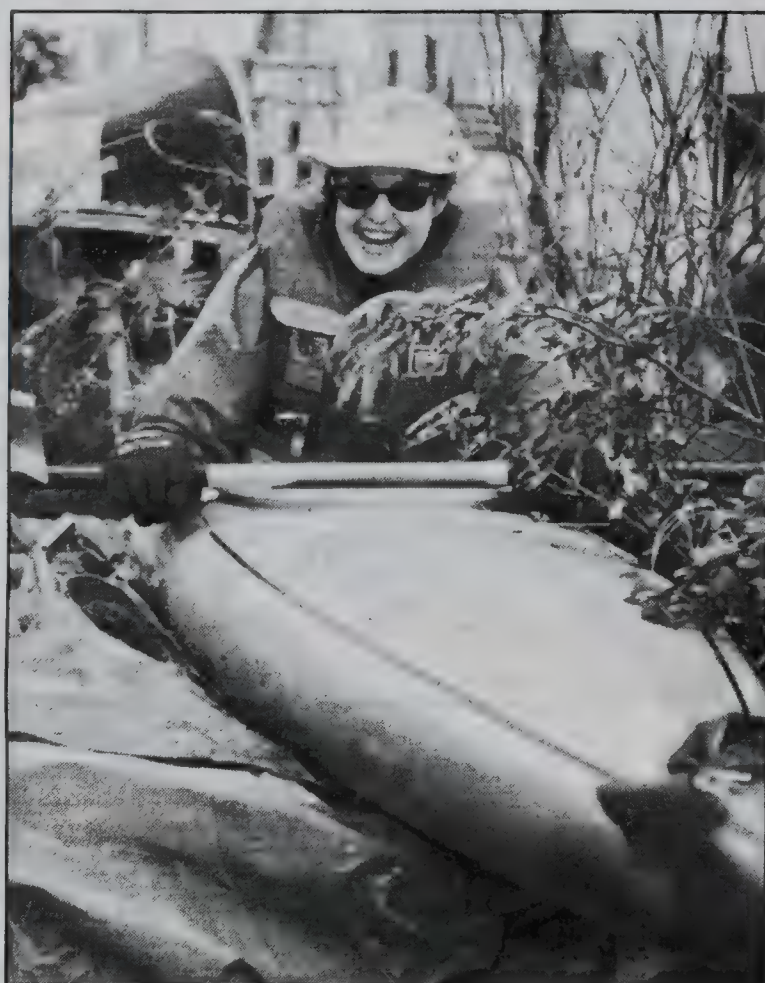
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You'd better watch out...

Saturday's Santa Claus parade in Haliburton gave crowds lots to see



Clockwise from top left: Sarah and Meaghan Varty are angelic for St. George's Sunday School float; Lea Nichols charts the course for Sir Sandford's eco-tourism; Michelle and Tyler Higgins join other mothers and children in front of Sam Charlton's first-place

old woman's shoe; Courtney Barnum and cousin Kristen woof it up for Pet Headquarters; and Eagle Lake Community Church's float was snugly and warm. Results and more photos page 30.

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Third prize - Antique Car, Raymond Scott.

Fourth prize - Women on Snow and HCSA.

Fifth prize - Haliburton County Fair Board.

Sixth prize - Search and Rescue.

Commercial Class

First prize - Beatty Sugar Bush.

Second prize - Haliburton Glass and Mirror.

Third prize - Haliburton Lumber.

Fourth prize - McKecks.

Fifth prize - Bowes and Cocks Real Estate.

Sixth prize - Kozy Korner.

Best children's float: St. George's Anglican Church.

Congratulations to the winners!

The judges - Janet Bradley, Caroline Ellis and Betty Glendinning - had a difficult task in choosing them, as all entrants had obviously put forth a lot of effort.

Parade organizer June White would like to extend a sincere thank you to all participants in the parade. Once again, your support and participation has provided a very warm welcome to the man in the red suit on his annual visit to Haliburton.

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Bravo! Bravo!

Students keep audience laughing at the HHSS Drama Club's highly successful Talent Night

by MARTHA PERKINS

IF ANY of the photographs from Friday's Talent Night at HHSS have turned out, it is pure luck. There were times the *Echo's* photographer was laughing so much it was hard to keep the camera focused.

The laughter-filled evening began with the play *The Ugly Duckling* and Bob Sisson proving once again that he was a master of disguises – and accents. In the role of King, his plushy tone of voice could make Prince Charles sound like a commoner, and his squinty-eyed gaze from the depths of his hunched back would not have put Richard the III to shame.

Balancing his caricature was the more stately (and exasperated) Erin Kernohan as Queen, Camilla Pettit as a graceful Princess Camilla and John Craig as the-strong-and-silent-type

Prince Simon. In the theatrics department, it was Kevin Brezina as a fawning chancellor who rivalled Sisson for comedic flare. And red-headed Jenn Orpana as Dulicebella proved that she could be as ditzy and flighty as any blonde stereotype, perfectly suited for Blake Jackson as Carlo, the type of man who makes most parents want to lock their teenaged daughters in the closet.

Director Jessica Berry is to be congratulated for pulling together all the talents of her cast and all the dénouements of the plot.

Eric Harris provided the evening's more reflective moments when he performed a piece he had written for piano. He had no need to be nervous because it took only seconds to have the audience charmed by his melody.

However, from the opening moment of the evening's second



Morgan Talaba, Doug Clark, John Craig & Eric Harris have women down pat

play, *If Men Played Cards as Women Do*, the audience was rarely silent. How did four teenaged boys – Morgan Talaba, Eric Harris, Doug Clark and John Craig – manage to capture the essence of "girl talk" and then toss it upside down so

delightfully as they critiqued each other's clothing, shopping prowess and homemaking skills? Men in the audience might have found it politically incorrect to laugh at all the boys' feminine foibles, but women could not contain their

mirth at seeing their conversations so accurately portrayed. (What makes the play's success even more amazing is that it was written in 1925.)

This time it is Amanda Chalmers to be congratulated for being such a fine director.



Bob Sisson, Erin Kernohan and Kevin Brezina go for laughs



John Craig sweeps Camilla Pettit off her feet



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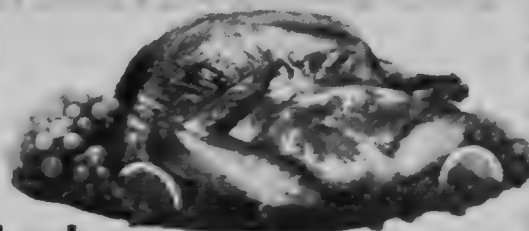
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Sunday's performance is part of the Haliburton County Children's Concert Series.

If you think you've

missed out on a series subscription there will be one last chance to purchase one at this concert at a rate of \$15 per person. This will admit you to December 15th's concert plus the remaining three concerts - The Sylamanders, Jan. 26/97, Deborah Dunleavy, March 23/97 and The Magic of Munsch, Apr. 20/97.

A limited number of tickets will also be available at the door for \$8 per show. Admission is free for children under 2 years.

Show time is 2:00 p.m., Sunday, December 15. For more information call 457-2218.



LET'S SEE: At the CNIB's open house at the Haliburton Legion on Tuesday, the CNIB's technical aids co-ordinator Carole Sweeney shows Sylvia Cameron some of the magnifying devices available to people with sight problems. CNIB's recent door-to-door campaign was very successful, netting more than \$10,500 in Haliburton County. This will help provide services to the 64 people the CNIB helps locally. The CNIB is also in the midst of its fundraising sale of calendars, which double as raffle tickets.

Christmas in Carnarvon once again a special time for church ladies

Get well wishes to Jack Gregory who is in hospital in Ottawa after a heart attack. He and wife Hazel were staying at the home of son Fred. Daughter Joan and husband Fred Chapple have been spending time with them.

Ron Russell from Baltimore USA was at his home here for awhile. The beautiful Crèche in Zion Church that he donated in memory of his mother Mabel is in place at the church again.

Mrs. Bill McKay was in

Richmond Hill attending the funeral of Doug Moore, who is well-known in the sports field for his work with the ice surface at Maple Leaf Gardens as well as other arenas across Canada and the USA. Our sympathies

to his family.

Zion U.C.W. held its annual Christmas in Carnarvon on December 4. Ladies from most of the churches in the region, Haliburton, Eagle Lake, West Guilford, Maple Lake, Lochlin, Minden, all

the churches in each area were there, first in the church for Christmas carols and worship led by Evelyn Coleman then into the C.E. Building for food and fellowship. Each church took part by song, readings, poems, and skits

ending with Zion ladies carrying candles (electric) and singing Silent Night. The 1995 evening was cancelled for bad weather making this one the 28th year for this event and I have missed only one in those years.

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Santa's "to do" list shorter after bazaar

Happy birthday to Jacqueline Timbers, Donald McEachern, Kylan Willard, and Weldon Tracey.

Although we have had some unsettled (an easy way to describe it) weather recently, it hasn't deterred Santa Claus from getting his reindeer in shape and making sure that the runners on his sleigh are sharpened up to cut through the snow and ice on Christmas Eve. I'm sure he is a way ahead of many of us mor-

tals who at best procrastinate, and always have some last minute shopping to do. It seems to get worse each year, and prices get higher, in spite of the fact they tell us the rate of inflation is low. The time is short but we hope everyone who is behind in their gift buying can scurry around and beat Santa to the draw.

The Dorset Community Bazaar was an enjoyable event with lots of folks enjoying the

DORSET

News

Phyllis Briscoe
766-2237

sociability, meeting friends and old acquaintances, and making purchases. There was certainly a great variety of items to choose from. There were people from nearby areas, Dwight, Baysville and Huntsville as well as from

the outlying Dorset area. Many thanks to all the lovely people that came to buy the wares of the people who worked to produce them. The weather kindly cooperated so there wasn't hazardous driving to contend with.

The Dorset Elementary School is having a Scholastic Book Fair. The fair will be held on Wednesday, the 11th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Books make excellent Christmas presents. Everyone in the community is invited to

attend.

I just had a call from Bill Rawlins in Port Colborne. Bill and his wife Lorna have been summer residents for many years in our area and have many friends here. They want to wish all their friends and acquaintances a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

H.H. To thaw frozen fish immerse it in milk. It will taste like fresh fish.

Skiers search the skies for signs of snow

WEST GUILFORD

News

Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

The time of the season of skiing is come, or almost. When sufficient quantities of snow fall, cross country skiers may be interested in the HHCC ski club. Club activities include night skiing 100 km. Haliburton Nordic Trails; 10 km. Hart Lodge; 21 km. Frost Centre Trails; 16 km. YMCA Wanakita. Phone 457-2760 for more details.

Congratulations to Nancy Brink on her being honoured on November 17 for excellence in volunteering over the years. Her experience in coaching ball teams and initiating the Sunday Supper Club are two of the facets that deserve extra mention and appreciation.

St. Andrew's church will be closed on December 15 when we join instead with St. George's at 10:30 a.m. for the rededication of the buildings. "The Glory of Christmas" will be presented at this time by Bill Gliddon's choir. St. Andrew's service is now at 9:00 a.m. for the winter, or as was once stated in Little Theatre's minutes: it "will stay the same until it changes!"

Julie from CHACE mobile gives us the following dates to keep in mind: December 16 at the Centre, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. includes a pot luck lunch with Santa as guest. Mothers, fathers and grandparents are invited with kids up to six years of age. Sounds like fun for everyone.

Laura Jane Chumbley has accepted a permanent position with Toronto Dominion Data Centre.

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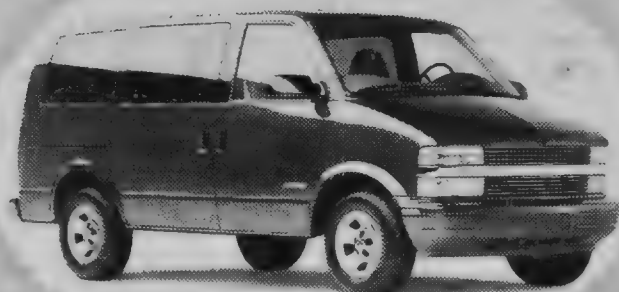
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McCue Lake sparkles with lights

WILBERFORCE

News

Hilda Clark

Folks in Tory Hill held a special Tree-Lighting night at their newly created park by McCue Lake. About a hundred people joined in the fun on Sunday, December 8, lighting the tree, singing carols and celebrating their project. Suzanne Anderson reports on the enthusiasm that has been shown to make a nice spot there at the junction of Highway 503 with 121. Larry Hewitt donated all kinds of fill and a lot of work, truck and bulldozer time and the folks there appreciated it. Sylvia from

Miller's Victory store on the corner has been very involved, providing a centre for efforts.

Suzanne says that it is great to feel the energy, the pleasure derived from this park endeavour. Lots of planting, trees, grass, flowers will be done in the spring. With the addition of some picnic tables Tory Hill will have a fine place for local folk and visitors to enjoy a picnic or just a pleasant place to pause amid the lovely hills. For now they will enjoy their bright Christmas tree and the joy of working together. Congratulations!

Thanks and congratulations also to the Essonville Church restoration group. What pleasure to round the corner on a dark winter evening to be greeted by

light shining through the beautiful stained glass windows.

The Annual Christmas Open House at the Outpost Historic House takes place Thursday, December 12 from 1:30 to 4:00 and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The Heritage Guild welcomes everyone for hot cider and goodies. There will be some seasonal readings and singing. The Girl Guides will be on hand in the evening singing carols by candlelight on the front porch, welcoming the visitors. Do join the fun!

The Annual Christmas Carol Service is on Sunday, December 22 at 7:30 p.m. It will be at the Wilberforce United Church. Gifts for the 4C's would be welcomed and

blessed. St. Margaret's people, please bring some of your Christmas goodies for the refreshment table. Do join in the singing.

December 22 also is the night of the Carol Service at the Harcourt Chapel. They are having their Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 15 at 7:00 p.m. with treats for all children.

Students of the Week at the school included Jarret Donaldson in Kindergarten who now prints his name really well on his own. Ryan Baumhour and Rebecca Bekkeam are making great progress in their journal writing in Grade 1. In 1/2 Phillip Austin was noted for being cooperative. Whitney Bekkeam was the chosen star in 3/4, and in

5/6 Amanda Townsend for working hard.

Students and staff have been involved in Christmas Electives on Working in family groupings, all age levels in each group, the students each have the opportunity to do all the special activities. This takes place every other day for an hour each time. This special program is based on an international theme including carol singing and preparation for the concert which takes place on Wednesday, December 18 after lunch at the L.W.M.C.

The Legion calendars are in. Please pick them up soon.

Winners of the Baby Sets were Gertrude Godfrey and E. Hemphill. The United Church people

thank everyone for support in this draw and to Margaret Harrison whose sister made the sets.

The Legion was jammed with diners on Saturday enjoying the Wildlife Dinner. What a feast! What generous helping! Every tasty morsel one could desire, bear, beaver, moose, venison and even beef and turkey for the less venturesome. A very successful venture once again for this hard working group. And they give many donations back to the community, often without fanfare. Thanks.

The Monmouth Seniors enjoyed a fine Christmas dinner party together on Friday evening at the L.W.M. Centre.

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HHSS decks the halls

Events get students in the mood for Christmas

by TASHA MOORE
HHSS Co-op Student

* Get ready for the Christmas spirit! The SAC is going to be decorating the school halls to put every one in the mood.

* The first issue of Speaking Loudly is out. Due to technical difficulties it was unable to be out until Wednesday. They are selling quickly, so if you would like a copy then you'd better hurry up and buy one. Look for the next issue coming out in December.

* Last Monday at 7:30, HHSS music students put on a Christmas Concert for everyone. The Grade 9 band, the concert band and the flute choir

were the main performers.

* There was a music video in the boy's gym last Friday put on by Break-a-Way. The group would like to thank Tim Coles from Kawartha Youth for Christ for helping to make this happen.

* Also last Friday there was a talent night. Two plays were put on. See page 31 for photos/review.

* The Junior Redmen Basketball team played Fenelon Falls last Tuesday, but lost 60-52. A close game.

* ELM had one of its first meetings last week at lunch. Mr. Mowat can't wait for the spring to come so that every thing can start.

Cadets' annual Christmas Dinner caters to a full house

On Nov. 29, the Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary served 144 Christmas dinners to the 1129 cadets, staff, parents and executive of Branch 129 of Haliburton. The door prizes were beautifully hand-carved and painted Christmas ornaments donated by Lorraine Hughey. Raffle tickets were also sold for a beautiful gingerbread

house made by Mr. Ashenbrenner, a civilian assistant with the corps.

Seated at the head table were the Corps Commanding Officer 2/Lt. Dan Collings and his wife Sue. Also seated at the head table were Comrade Dave Stirrit, President of Branch 129 Haliburton and his lovely wife Dorothy, Chief Warrant Officer

Eric Kramkowski, Captain Mike Brodhagen and emcee, civilian assistant Peter Cawker.

On behalf of the commanding officer, staff and cadets of the corps, a hearty "Welcome Aboard" to Cam McKenzie as our new civilian assistant.

The highlight of the evening came when the Commanding Officer announced the promo-

tion list.

From CADET to PRIVATE: Bryan Burke, David Ellison, Justin Hie, Shain Duda, Laura McConnell, Paige Yateman, Ian Graves, Robert Denford, Joseph Styles.

A special presentation will be forth coming for the promotion of Lisa Mitchell to Private as she was overlooked that

evening. On behalf of the staff of 1129 Haliburton Cadet Corps I apologize for the oversight.

To CORPORAL: Dawne Mitchell.

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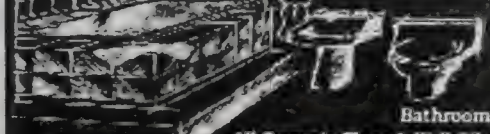
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The 30th annual Minden Christmas Bird Count is Saturday, December 21.

Compared to 1995, the numbers and variety of birds visiting feeders this fall in Haliburton County probably seems disappointing. An exceptional cone crop throughout Northern Ontario has no doubt intercepted many migrants that would otherwise have come south to enjoy the relatively good food crop here. There is, however, no shortage of chickadees and blue jays. Red-breasted nuthatches should be more common than last year, as should tree sparrows and juncos.

American goldfinches in their drab olive winter plumage are the common-

est finches visiting feeders this fall. Pine siskins which are similar in size but very streaked underneath, are with them in small numbers.

This is a good year to try to coax in lingering stray summer birds such as white-throated and song sparrows. Food such as cracked corn and white millet scattered on the ground in sheltered areas will encourage them as well as other ground feeders that may be reluctant to fly up onto a feeder. A platform feeder such as an old table is also acceptable, especially where cats may be a threat. As well, filling feeders with favoured foods such as Niger seed for goldfinches

and black sunflower seed for most other species will ensure a steady stream of appreciative visitors. Mixed seed is a waste of money at the best of times, and next to useless in a year when birds have more attractive alternatives. Those who make a special effort to attract birds to their yards this year may be in for unexpected surprises.

Ruffed grouse, which were at the bottom of their cycle of abundance two years ago, seem to be making an excellent recovery. Good numbers of red squirrels, mice and voles may mean we can expect to find more hawks and owls this winter.

The 30th annual Minden

Christmas bird census is December 21. The 15-mile diameter count circle includes Moore Falls, Kinmount, Irondale, Lochlin, Ingoldsby, Mountain Lake, Bob Lake and all areas in between. We would really like to hear from as many folks as possible about the birds at your feeder and in your neighbourhood. Of particular interest are summer birds which have lingered, uncommon winter birds and waterfowl. If you have grey jays, we would really like to hear from you.

Many thanks to those of you who sent in reports last year. Your information added two species that weren't seen by any of the groups out counting.

If you would like to come along with one of the groups, you would be most welcome.

Contact people and their phone numbers are: Irena Durling, 457-9230; Ed Poropat, 457-3018; Ron Pittaway, 286-3471; Pearl

Barry, 286-1189; and Dennis Barry, (905) 723-2116.

Sightings can be phoned in to 286-1189 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. on December 21, or mailed to: Dennis Barry, R.R. 2, Whitby, Ont. L1N 5R5.



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The Christmas season is traditionally the time to support The Lung Association through the annual Christmas Seal Campaign.

The goal for this year's campaign in Victoria and Haliburton Counties is \$42,000. Returns are currently at close to \$25,000. This amount is well below the usual level of generosity that The Lung Association has appreciated in the past. Currently, a follow-up mailing is being prepared. With this reminder, members of The Lung Association hope to encourage past contributors to remember them

with a donation.

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The Proposed By-law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Municipal Office in the Township of Stanhope on the 8th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 11:30 a.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent and person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applied to be heard.



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1996 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

The 1996 assessment rolls, which list the assessed value of each property in a municipality, will be delivered to municipal clerks on **December 17, 1996.**

Property taxes for 1997 will be based on these values.

The final date for property owners or tenants to appeal the 1996 property assessment is **January 7, 1997.**

If you have any questions about your assessment, please contact the assessment office responsible for your municipality. The address and telephone number are in the Government of Ontario section of the Blue Pages of your telephone directory. Please look under the Ministry of Finance - Property Assessment.

The assessment office will also be able to provide you with information on appealing your assessment. Assessment appeals are heard by an independent tribunal called the Assessment Review Board. There is a fee for filing an appeal.

The Board is also responsible for setting the dates for hearing appeals. If you appealed your 1995 assessment for the 1996 taxation year and the Board has not yet set a hearing date, you do not have to file a new appeal.

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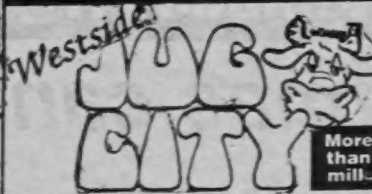
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- Jim Orr; Nov. 13/96 - Murray
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I WOULD LIKE to thank every-
one for their care and concern
for me during the past two
weeks. To my husband Ron
and family for being there for
me, to all my co-workers and Dr.
Ferracuti. Thanks for the lovely
flowers, cards, phone calls, etc.
Your kindness will not be for-
gotten, **Vera Smith**.

ON BEHALF OF the Halibur-
ton BIA, other sponsors and
support groups, I would like to
say a special thank you to June
White for all her hard work and
dedication in putting this year's
Christmas parade together un-
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ly, **Jim Henwood, Henwood's
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THE FAMILY OF the late Loret-
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press our appreciation for the
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Marriage to take place

January 11, 1997

at the Enchanted Garden in

Ochos Rios, Jamaica

Wedding dance to follow January 18, 1997 at 8 p.m. at West Guilford Community Centre. All family and friends welcome.

390 DEATH NOTICES

AT REST

Peacefully at Extendicare

Nursing Home in

Haliburton on Saturday,

December 7th, 1996

BLANCHE IVA BARRY

In her 88th year.

Beloved wife of the late Lorne Barry. Dear mother of Harold and his wife Evelyn Barjarow of Maple Lake, John and his wife Elva Barjarow of Cornwall, Frank and his wife Elaine Barjarow of Maple Lake, dear mother-in-law of George Hill of Bobcaygeon, Doreen Barjarow of Tweed, and predeceased by Lillian, Stan and Billy. Loving grandmother of many grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren and predeceased by several brothers and sisters. Family and friends visited at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Minden from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Monday, December 9th, 1996 at 1:30 p.m. Interment Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board (In Trust) would be appreciated by the family. **CA**

390 DEATH NOTICES

AT REST

Peacefully at the Hyland

Crest Senior Citizens Home,

Minden, Ontario on

Sunday, Dec. 8, 1996

IRENE EDNA McKELVEY

In her 95th year.

Beloved wife of the late Herbert McKelvey. Dear mother of Claude of Emily Park, Morris of Minden, Marjorie and her husband Harold Wright of Irondale and predeceased by Hal. Loving grandmother of 5 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Family and friends may visit at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, Minden on Tuesday, December 10th, 1996 from 1 - 2 p.m. with the Funeral Service to follow in the Chapel at 2:00 p.m. Interment Minden Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund would be appreciated by the family. **CA**

400 IN MEMORIAM

MacDUFF - In loving memory of my husband Lloyd who passed away December 11, 1990.

How I miss his welcome footsteps Of the one I loved so dear. Oft I listen for his coming Full sure that he is near. Thou art gone but not forgotten Fresh our love will ever be, For as long as there is memory I will always think of thee. Loved and always remembered by his wife, **Jean.**

YOUNG - In loving memory of my father William Young, who died December 29, 1993. Also for my sister Shirley Simmons who died October 28, 1996.

Every day in some small way, Memories of you come our way. Though absent you are ever near, Still missed, loved and ever dear.

Aileen & Gene Broughton & family.

400 IN MEMORIAM

MacDUFF - In loving memory of our dear Dad who passed away December 11, 1990.

You can only have one father, patient, kind and true No other friend in all the world will be the same to you. When other friends forsake, to father you will return, For all his loving kindness, he asks nothing in return.

As we look upon his picture, sweet memories we recall, Of a face so full of sunshine and a smile for one and all.

Dear Lord take this message to our dear father up above, Tell him how we miss him and give him all our love.

Sadly missed and never forgotten by his children, **Joan, Lorraine, Linda, Geraldine, Darryl, Lyle and families.**

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TALKING ABOUT IT

Christmas can be a difficult time for people who have recently lost loved ones

by **EMILY PARKER**, Program Coordinator
Bereaved Families of Ontario, Metro Toronto

The following are suggestions on how bereaved people can face the holidays after the loss of a loved one.

Helping you face the holidays

- Be with supportive, comforting people. Spend time with those who encourage you to be yourself and can accept both your happy and sad feelings.

- Be patient with yourself and your emotions. Give yourself permission to feel sad when everyone around you is celebrating.

- Plan ahead for family gatherings and decide which traditions you wish to continue and which you wish to let go. Telling others you may change your plans or leave gatherings early can help to take the pressure off as well.

- Start new traditions that may be more meaningful to you now that you have lost a child, sibling, parent or spouse.

- Involve your children and other family members in discussing holiday plans. They may feel unsure of what to expect and may wonder if it is okay to feel excited when they are also very sad.

- The holidays can be exhausting. Ask friends and neighbours to entertain young children, run errands or help with shopping.

- Be kind to yourself - take care of yourself.

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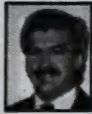
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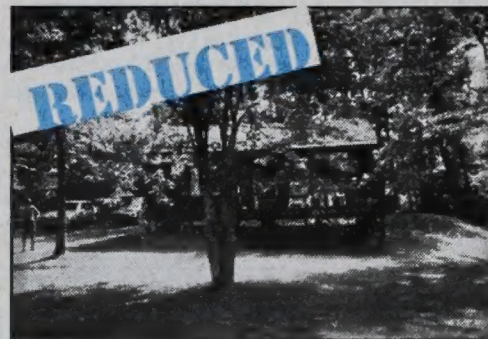
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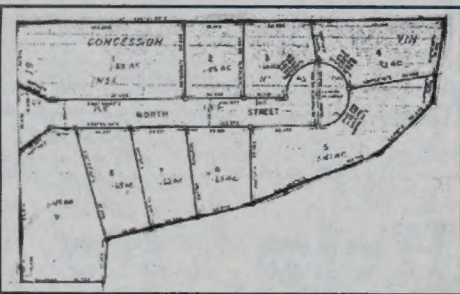
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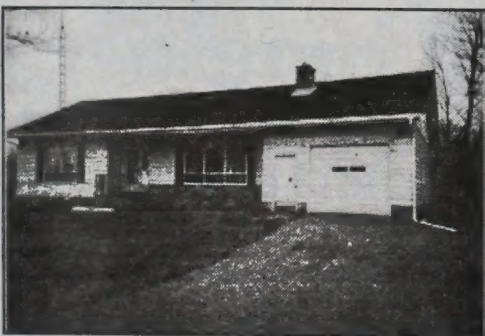
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